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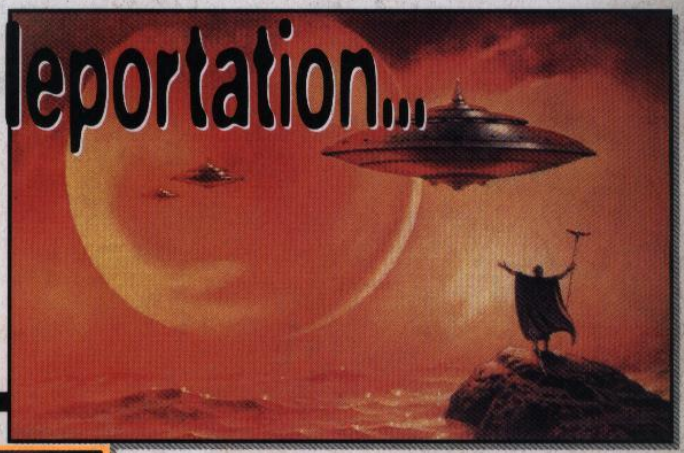

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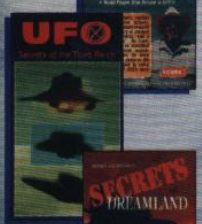

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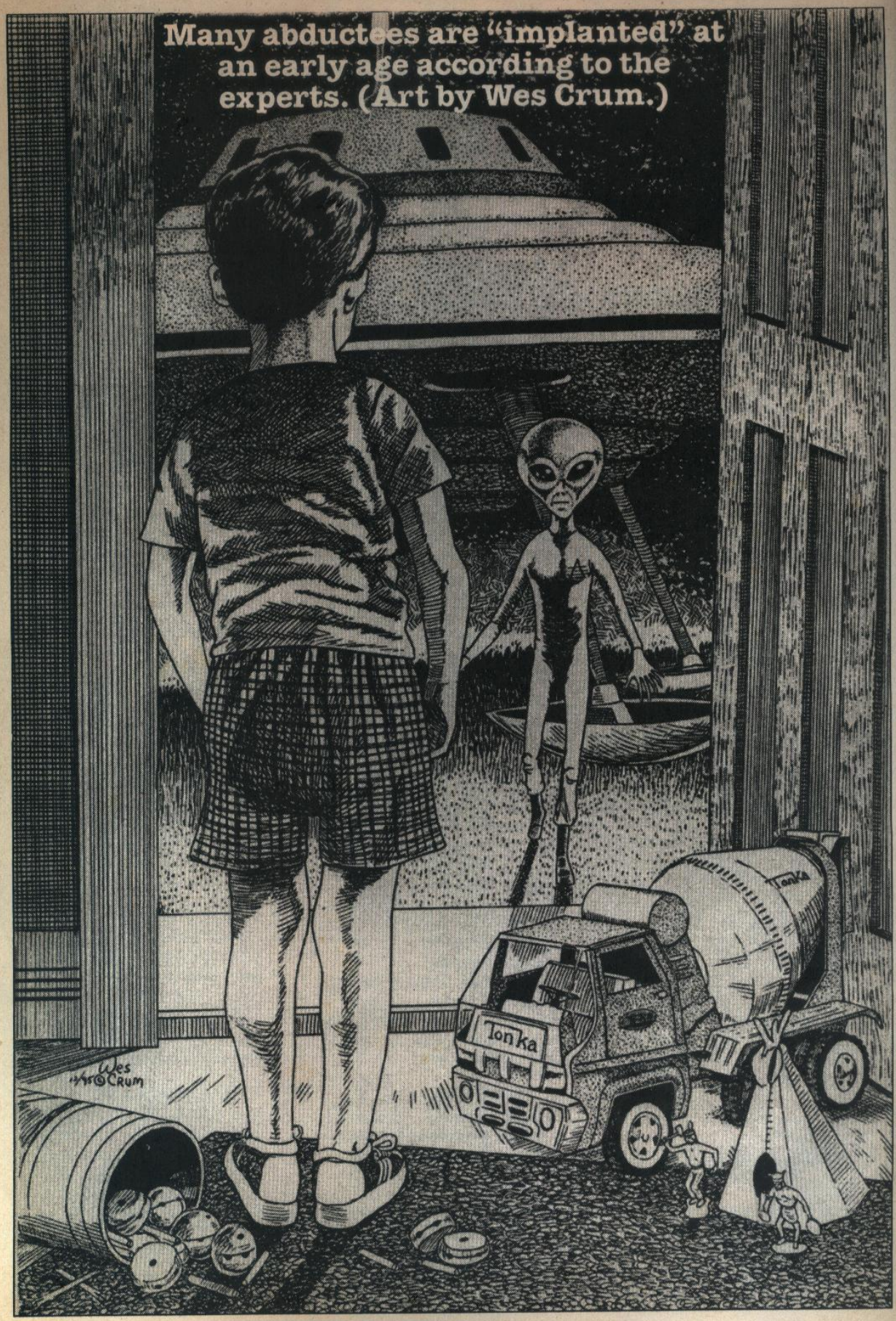
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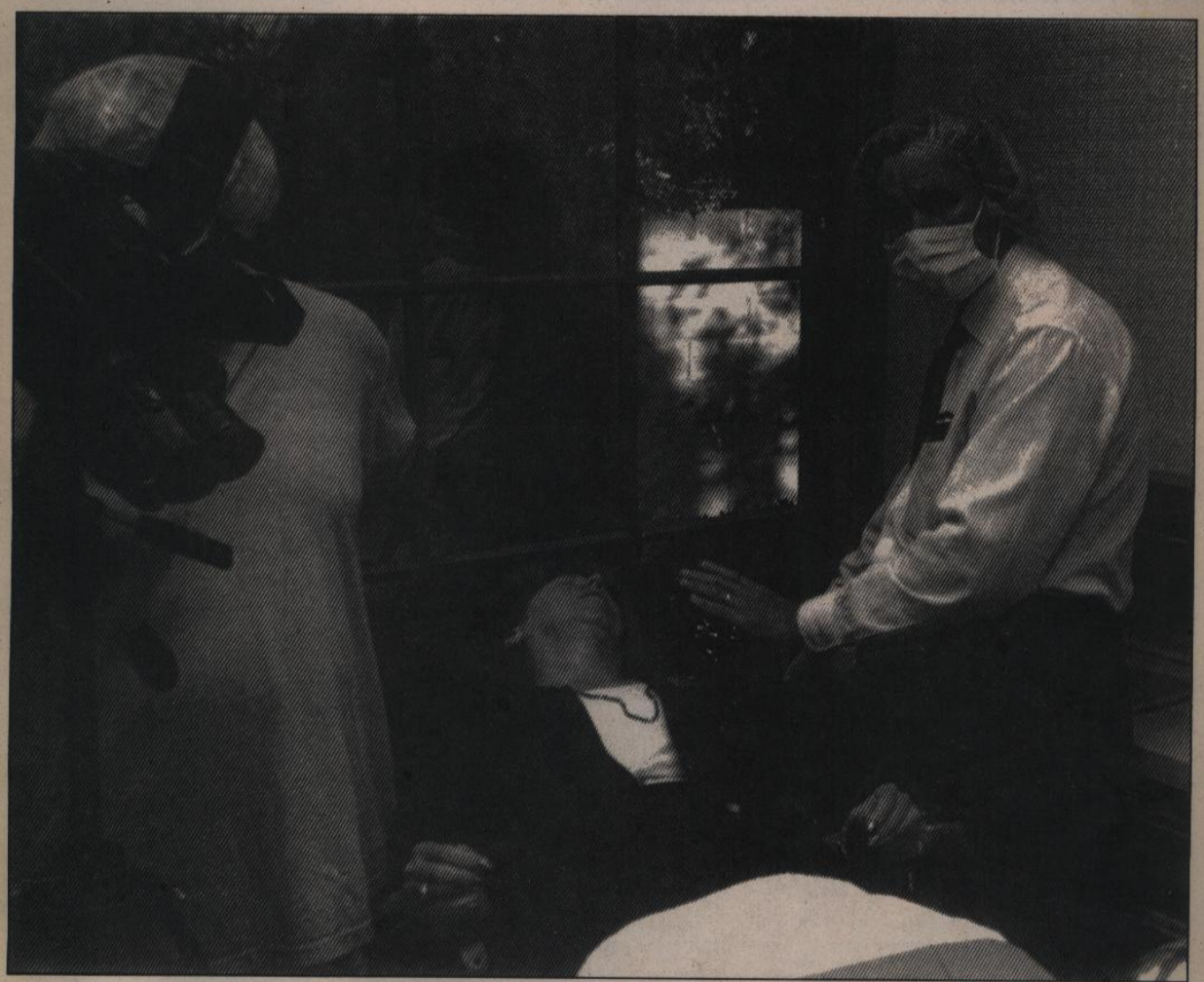
Surgical Team Removes Alien Implants



Derrel Sims performs hypnotic anesthesia on a female abductee before the surgeon begins to remove a foreign object in her body believed to be an "alien implant." The techniques used on this lady were so effective that she did not require pain killers. After the operation, she awoke and flew directly back to Houston, Texas. (Photo by Kim Carlsburg).

Is this the "hard" evidence skeptics have been asking for?

by Sean Casteel
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The search for physical evidence of UFOs and their mysterious occupants has been a long and fruitless one, endlessly frustrating those who believe but cannot prove their stories and accounts to others. As haunted as this century has been by lights in the sky and small grey figures with large black eyes, no one can say beyond a shadow of a doubt that the phenomenon exists at all.

But that may all be changing thanks to the work of "Alien Hunter" and UFO researcher Derrel Sims of Houston, Texas and a medical doctor named Roger K. Leir of Thousand Oaks, California. Their partnership has resulted in the kind of evidence that even medical and scientific professionals throughout the world can neither dismiss or ignore.

It all started in May of 1995 in Los Angeles at a conference called "UFO Expo West." Derrel Sims was operating a booth at the conference and had some X-rays on display. Dr. Leir walked up and began a conversation with Sims that would eventually make history.

"I was displaying some of the X-rays," Sims said, "of people who had alleged implants. And he looked at the implant X-rays and he said the remarkable thing about the radiology report is that it says that these three metal clips noted in the soft tissue adjacent to the approximal phalanx of one woman's great toe were the result of a previous surgery. Well, the problem is, there is no previous history of surgery."

Sims said there were also similar X-rays of the subject's mother and brother as well, which serves to indicate that abduction may run in families and along genetic lines, as many researchers already believe.

Dr. Leir was so impressed with Sims' X-ray evidence that he immediately offered to surgically remove the implants for free. When a friend of Sims' offered to fly two abductees from Texas to California at no cost as well, the deal was struck. Leir assembled a medical team in Thousand Oaks, California, that consisted of fellow members of the Ventura/Santa Barbara Counties chapter of the Mutual UFO Network (MUFON) who were also medical and psychological professionals, and the surgeries were scheduled for August of 1995.

According to Dr. Leir, "Both patients had had abduction histories. The male had what we feel is a 'screen memory.' He stated that when he was about seven or eight years old he woke up in the middle of the night. He lived on a small farm in Texas. He saw a bright light out the window and heard a voice calling him outside. He went outside and then went into one of the fields and saw a light above a tree.

"The implants were surrounded by a membrane," Dr. Leir said. "A very dense membrane. I've been removing foreign bodies for about thirty years and I've never seen anything like this. The membrane was so dense that you couldn't cut through it with a surgical blade."

"From that light," Leir continued, "there approached about a basketball-sized light form and somehow he was told to reach out and grab that ball of light. Instead of doing that, he became frightened and turned to run back into the house. Then, supposedly, the ball of light exploded and he felt something hit his hand."

Like many abductees, the man forgot about the experience until many years later when he went to visit a chiropractor because of pains he was feeling in his arm and back.

"The chiropractor asked him," Leir said, "if he'd ever injured his hand or ever had hand surgery, and of course the answer to both questions was 'No.' And they showed him the object that was in his hand."

After the man made the acquaintance of Derrel Sims, he underwent regressive hypnosis with the Texas researcher and ultimately ended up on Dr. Leir's operating table.

With the first patient, the woman with two implants in her big toe, Sims used hypnotic anesthesia.

"All during the surgery," Sims said, "I was giving her suggestions on healing and so on, and she literally walked out of there on her own two feet, and never used postoperative medication. After having the operation on Saturday, she was back at work on Monday. She never used crutches or anything."

For the sake of experimentation with hypnotic anesthesia techniques, Sims let the male subject have only normal forms of anesthesia. "He healed up just as well," Sims said, "but it took him nearly two weeks to do so." Sims feels the worthiness of hypnotic anesthesia is vindicated by his experiment.

"We wanted to see specifically," Sims said, "if there was a measurable difference in the two people in terms of healing rate. Of course, one was seven times faster than the other one, in effect. That provided some interesting input and a possible direction we might want to go with some of these other people."

But back to the implants themselves. After Dr. Leir and his team removed the two implants from the big toe of the woman and the one from the hand of the man, some surprises happened immediately.

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Doctors surgically remove implant believed to have been left by aliens during the patient's abduction experience. (Photo by Kim Carlsburg)

foreign bodies for about thirty years and I've never seen anything like this. The membrane was so dense that you couldn't cut through it with a surgical blade."

Extreme caution was then used in transporting the implants.

"There are many stories," Leir said, "about implants disappearing or exploding or turning into powder . To be on the safe side, I felt the best way to transport these things was in the individual's own body fluids..,we had our surgical nurse remove some blood from each patient and then spin it down. We then removed the serum and the implants...with the membrane attached and placed into the serum to transport them back to Texas."

Back in Texas, there were even more surprises in store for the group.

"After some preliminary tests were done," Leir said, "they did a fluorescence test using ultraviolet light. And objects fluoresced a brilliant, bright green. They were also highly magnetic. The membranes were allowed to dry, and when they were dried, they could be removed from the metallic substance within. The metallic substance within was a black metal that had a little bit of flakiness. Probably some minor oxidation had occurred."

The objects were sent to an electronics engineer, a chemical engineer, and for testing with an electron microscope. Dr. Leir plans to publish the test results in several medical journals in hopes that other medical and scientific professionals will take an interest in the subject of alien abductions and give the team's new-found evidence an open-minded examination.

Is this implant removal surgery the stuff of which history is made? Is the group finding the kind of irrefutable proof UFO researchers have always sought after?

Understanding the objects may also hold a great deal of promise for human medical technology. Dr. Leir explained why.

"It's virtually impossible," Leir said, "to poke something into your body without getting an inflammatory reaction. When you get a fresh injury or an acute foreign body inside the body, you get an infiltration of inflammatory cells. That's true whether you get a sliver in your foot or a surgeon implants a screw into a bone. Everything will undergo an inflammatory reaction if something is inserted that doesn't belong there."

But something different happened this time.

"I sent the tissues surrounding this encapsulated foreign body out to a lab," Leir said, "and it came back with absolutely no inflammatory cells, no inflammation whatsoever. And it was the same for the man as it was for the

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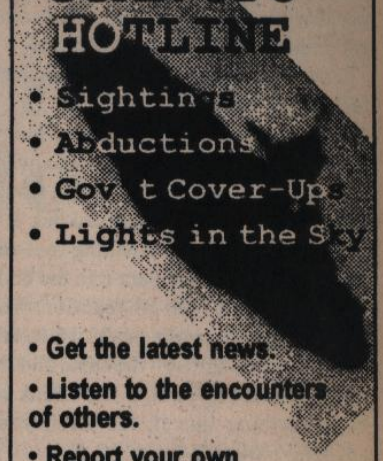

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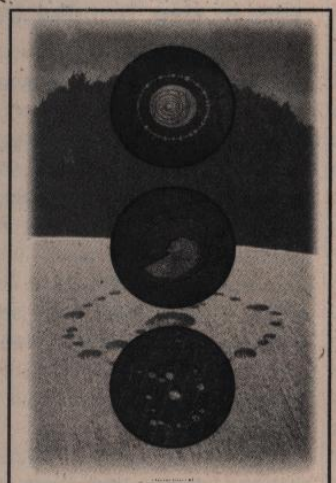

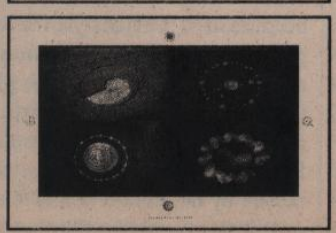

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woman, which was absolutely mind-boggling. If it had happened in one person, I would say, 'Well, jeeze, something peculiar happened here.' But to have it in two individuals, that's really strange."

The implications for human medical techniques are staggering.

"If you could duplicate this membrane," Leir said, "you can see what kind of tremendous potential you would have for the benefit of humankind. Because you could wrap anything in it and then go ahead and implant it in the body and you would get no reaction. You could wrap a liver or a heart or a it, and filter the blood through the same and the body wouldn't reject it. I don't think we have anything like it, it's far beyond anything I know."

Alice Leavy, the Sector Director for the Ventura/Santa Barbara Counties chapter of MUFON, had high praise for Dr. Leir's efforts as well as his willingness to involve himself as a medical professional.

"Harvard psychiatrist Dr. John Mack came forward," Leavy said, "and boy, they really put him through the wringer for it. I think it scared off a lot of people in the medical profession from coming forward and telling what they know. Right now, their tongues are tied. When this gets into the medical journals, I think doctors will be able to treat ailments and various symptoms that abductees have. They'll be able to look in other directions rather than always focusing on the idea that abductees are either imagining things or are hypochondriacs. They'll be able to look at this on a professional level and say, 'Well, there is proof now that people are being abducted and that there are implants. Maybe this person doesn't need a psychiatrist. Maybe they need something more that we can do to help.' "

Leavy also talked about why Sims' and Leir's research is different from that of other UFOlogists and students of the field.

"I think that the work they're doing," Leavy said, "is the beginning of something that's been necessary a very long time. Researchers have done this passive research for so long and haven't gotten anywhere. And it's really about time that the aggressive researchers really took hold and started to aggressively go into this research and to find answers. And I think that's what they're doing.

"These things do exist," Leavy continued. "That's the premise of all of this. The proof. Physical proof. That's what these researchers have been looking for all these years, but they've not been very aggressive. So, Roger and Derrel, they're aggressive, and that's what is necessary."

Leavy said the MUFON chapter she heads will continue to be involved in future implant removal surgeries performed by Leir and Sims, to include providing everything from medical assistance to recording the process for posterity on video tape and with still photos.

"We've put together a real good team, n Leavy said, "of specialists on staff. Everything looks real positive, and I sure hope this is the beginning of the evidence that everyone's been waiting for. So far, the findings are pretty mind-boggling."

"I've got four little objects," Derrel Sims went on, "that were given to me the other day by a lady who said they were expelled allegedly from her daughter's nose. And these things are like 2.1 millimeters in size. Smaller than a fine point pen.

Another admirer of Sims and Leir is the legendary Whitley Strieber, best-selling author of *Communion, Transformation* and *Breakthrough,* his hugely successful trio of first-person abduction accounts that put the alien abduction phenomenon into mainstream awareness more than any other source before or since. Strieber talked about his own interest in the surgeries.

"Dr. Leir informed me of his work," Strieber said, "and I became interested because it is obviously of critical importance to all close encounter witnesses if objects are being placed in their bodies. I intend to participate in the process, and if any implants are found in my body. to have them removed by Dr. Leir. It seems to me that I owe it to everybody who has taken an interest in my case to do this, and to report to them any changes in my level of contact or the way I feel afterward."

In addition to drawing Strieber into the program, the team is also preparing technical papers to be submitted to a forum at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and has recently completed negotiations for a one-hour special to be shown on the FOX Television Network. That program may have already aired by the time you read this. They are also sifting through offers from various sources to help with funding for their surgical program and have formed a nonprofit corporation themselves, the working title for which is "The Fund For Human/Alien Research."

Sims had a story to tell about a conversation with one of the leaders of MUFON.

"He said 'We're having to make an entire new area in UFOlogy concerning implants,' " Sims noted "'because of the work you're doing. You're just accomplishing so much.' And I laughed and I said, 'What makes you think implants are our best evidence? We have evidence we haven't shown yet. That's just the stuff that's making news. We may have better evidence than that.' "

When pressed for further information on his other evidence, Sims abruptly changed the subject. Apparently, we must be patient and wait to find out what he's talking about.

Sims *was* willing to talk about his ability to establish a relationship with experiencers who are naturally wary of trusting UFO researchers.

"I have people," Sims said, "who come to conferences two and three times, who sit in my workshop and listen to me, and they'll finally walk up and hand me an implant. But they have to be dead sure first that I'm honest, that I'm one hundred percent.

"I've got four little objects," Derrel Sims went on, "that were given to me the other day by a lady who said they were expelled allegedly from her daughter's nose. And these things are like 2.1 millimeters in size. Smaller than a fine point pen. People will come forward with the evidence if they know it's going to be processed right. Their anonymity and their safety is their primary concern when they turn something in."

Sims said he characterized himself as a "pioneer."

"A pioneer is a person," he said, "who will go where others can't go, won't go, or don't know how to go. And he sends back maps. And that's important, I think, for the scientific process, that maps be sent back for other people to follow. But these maps need to be medical and scientific maps, so that medical and scientific people can follow them. Because they tend not to do that unless it's couched in language and techniques that they can understand. That's an important thing."

Sims anticipates an argument he expects to hear from future critics of the team's research.

"There are those who say," Sims said, "that if the implants are not made of some elements from another planet or another world, some element that we don't understand, then it's not alien. That's not necessarily true at all. And most scientists would not agree with that. Even if many of the elements are from out in space, we discover elements out there all the time that are identical to what's on Earth. The difference is that they may be without water content or have other impurities or be some kind of mixture that is not common to Earth."

In other words, the difference between a terrestrial metal and an extraterrestrial one is not a cut-and-dried issue, and requires a great deal more research before conclusions can be drawn. Exactly the kind of research that Sims and Leir have begun.

And is this implant removal surgery the stuff of which history is made? Is the group finding the kind of irrefutable proof UFO researchers have always sought after?

"Most people feel that way," Leir said, "and I'm beginning to believe it."

Contacting Derrel Sims

If you have medical or physical evidence, including pictures, film, X-rays, substances, etc., that you believe may be somehow connected to the UFO phenomenon, please call Derrel Sims at 713-587-5455 or write to him at P.O. Box 60944, Houston, TX, 77205. His web page is at www.compassnet.com/~dwsims.

IMPLANTS! The Ultimate Invasion?

by Jack Carlson,
MUFON member

Late in the afternoon of Saturday, August 19th, 1995, Dr. "X" with the assistance of a general surgeon. took his scalpel and made a three-quarter inch incision down the inner half of the big toe of a patient who was lying on her back. Patricia Connely [name changed by author], a former abductee, was about to undergo an exploratory surgery to remove two anomalous foreign objects which were lodged in her big toe. Mike Evans was focusing his video camera on the area being incised thus recording the entire proceedings for posterity. A direct, live video feed was being sent to a 12-inch TV monitor in a room adjacent the operating room where six to seven people, myself included, sat in eerie silence watching the proceedings in living color. I can state, with a degree of certainty, that none of us had ever witnessed an event quite like this.

Using hypnosis, Mrs. Connely had been rendered partially unconscious by Mr. Derrel Sims, a certified hypno-anesthesia therapist; then, Dr. "X" injected a massive dose of local anesthesia into the toe to assure the patient would feel no pain. Working from three x-rays, which had clearly shown the location of the anomalous foreign objects, the two doctors cut, probed and dissected the tissue until the first object was felt by Dr. "X" holding a narrow forceps. As the object was removed from the incision, the patient reacted by verbally uttering an exclamation. It was later learned that the object was directly connected to a nerve, thus causing the patient pain when the object was severed from the connecting tissue.

The first object extracted was a small, triangular object, measuring about 1½ cm. on each side. Because the object appeared opaque in the x-rays, it was assumed to be of a substance other than bone. The object was photographed in extreme close-up by Mr. Evans' video camera, plus a series of still pictures were also taken to record minute details of the object. The specimen was transferred to a receptacle containing the patient's own blood serum where it was appropriately labeled.

In order to remove the second object, a new incision was made on the opposite half of the same toe. The doctors spent considerable time probing in an attempt to pinpoint the second object. When extracted, it was smaller than the first object, but appeared, at least to the naked eye, to be of the same material. Once it was photographed and deposited in the sterile receptacle, the patient's incisions were stitched up, and her foot bathed in an antiseptic solution which turned her skin purple. The foot was securely wrapped in a protective bandage. When Mrs. Connely was awakened, she reported feeling no pain whatsoever from the surgery. As she walked gingerly from the room, a call was made to summon a second patient, Mr. Pat Patillo.

Using the same techniques, the doctors operated on the left hand of Mr. Patillo and eventually extracted a seed-like foreign object. Like the

others, it was small, measuring about 4 mm x 2 mm. The only verbal utterance from Mr. Patillo came when the object was excised from the tissue which later was determined to have been attached to a nerve. The object and some connecting tissue were duly preserved in the same type of sterile receptacles. Mr. Patillo's hand was stitched up, swabbed in an antiseptic solution, then securely bandaged. Mr. Patillo reported feeling no pain.

The specimens were given to Derrel Sims who, upon his return to Texas, will hand deliver them to the University of Houston for analysis using an electron microscope, plus a spectroscope for quantitative analysis. Then the specimens will be x-rayed and ultimately sent to Dr. Pritchard at M.I.T. for a complete analysis. The final results from testing of the objects may not be available for several weeks. Dr. "X" will be in contact with Mr. Sims who will forward the results of the tests. The videotape, which was given to Mr. Sims, will be professionally edited and titled, then a copy returned to Dr. "X."

Mr. Sims is Chief of Abduction Investigations and Director of Physical Investigations for the Houston UFO Network. He has 25 years experience investigating abductee experiences and is himself, an abductee. He provides investigations and hypnotherapy at no charge to anyone involved in the abduction phenomenon. He has lectured extensively and recently spoke to 250 doctors at a major hospital regarding medical implications of the phenomenon.

These extraordinary surgeries were the final result of a casual conversation between Dr. "X" and Derrel Sims. They first met at the UFO Expo West conference this past June. During the course of their conversation, Mr. Sims told Dr. "X" that he was aware of two Houston residents who had implants of foreign objects in their hands and feet. After Dr. "X" viewed the x-rays of the two individuals, which confirmed the statements of Mr. Sims, he volunteered to perform the necessary surgery for removal of the objects. The two individuals readily agreed to the operation, but lacked the funds for the round trip from Houston to Los Angeles. Mr. Sims located a pilot who, upon hearing the details of the proposed surgery, immediately offered to pay for two round-trip air tickets. Saturday, August 19th was agreed upon as the date for the surgeries.

Both Mrs. Connely and Mr. Patillo had previously approached Mr. Sims to discuss their experiences with extra-terrestrial phenomenon. Mrs. Connely was abducted approximately 27 years ago, but only recently became aware of the foreign anomalous objects in her foot. Mr. Patillo, at the age of six, walked out of his house into a field, and saw a UFO; a round object, the size of a basketball approached him. As he turned to move away from it, the object exploded and embedded a piece of metal into his left hand. Patricia Connely and Pat Patillo had no prior surgeries in the area where the objects were removed. Until the x-rays revealed the location of the foreign objects, neither individual was aware of their existence.

Because of space limitations, Dr. "X" was only able to invite a select few to observe the operations. The nurse on duty assisting the two doctors was Denise Messina. She performed her duties with precision and considerable patience given the inconvenience of working in a small operating room that barely accommodated Barbara Dobrin. Ph.D., and Lorie Katz who observed; Mike Evans, operating the video camera; Derrel Sims, assisting with hypnotic anesthesia; the two doctors; plus the patient.

Observing the proceedings via a monitor were: Alice Leavy, Section Director, MUFON; Sandra Marsh, a member of the LA MUFON group; Bert Clemens, Ruth Carlson; and myself, al' members of Ventura County MUFON. Office manager Janet Warnick was present to coordinate the proceedings and take the patient's histories.

In conclusion, there are two significant questions that remain unanswered:

What are the objects made of ? Hopefully, we will learn the answer within a matter of weeks. I expect to write a report summarizing the results of the implant testing and analysis. That report will appear in a subsequent edition of the *VORTEX.*

How did the implants become embedded in the hands and feet of these two individuals? The answer to that question may never be known. We may each draw our own conclusions.

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Mr. Sims is Chief of Abduction Investigations and Director of Physical Investigations for the Houston UFO Network. He has a uniquely new, progressive and proactive approach to his work and has managed to invoke a response from the alien presence as opposed to only reacting to them or just generating piles of case files. His methods of information retrieval and procedures in research resulted in a mass abduction in December 1992. Mr. Sims, who is an abductee himself, has spoken before 250 doctors at a major hospital regarding medical implications of the phenomenon and has been invited to St. Petersburg, Russia and to Marseilles, France to present at the Int. Scientific Congress and UFO Congress respectively. In his 25 years in investigations, he has implemented the use of innovative tools such as graphoanalysis, symbolic profiling, and genetic testing. Mr. Sims emphasized the necessity of obtaining hard physical evidence, and the analysis of the same (via non-UFO related medical and scientific professionals) in the paper he and Mary Florey M S.,RC.Ht. presented to the Intl. Forum on New Science. For years he has been providing investigations and hypnotherapy at no charge to persons involved in the abduction phenomenon. His background is as follows:

Note:

Mr. Sims work, after being reviewed for over a year, was selected for use in an interactive display area for the Space, UFO, Science & Technology Center for the city of Hahui, Japan. He was honored by the city fathers with a plaque and an honorarium for the use of his expertise in the museum. Mr. Sims' work, which focuses more on hard evidence seeks to bring credible findings to the medical and scientific communities.

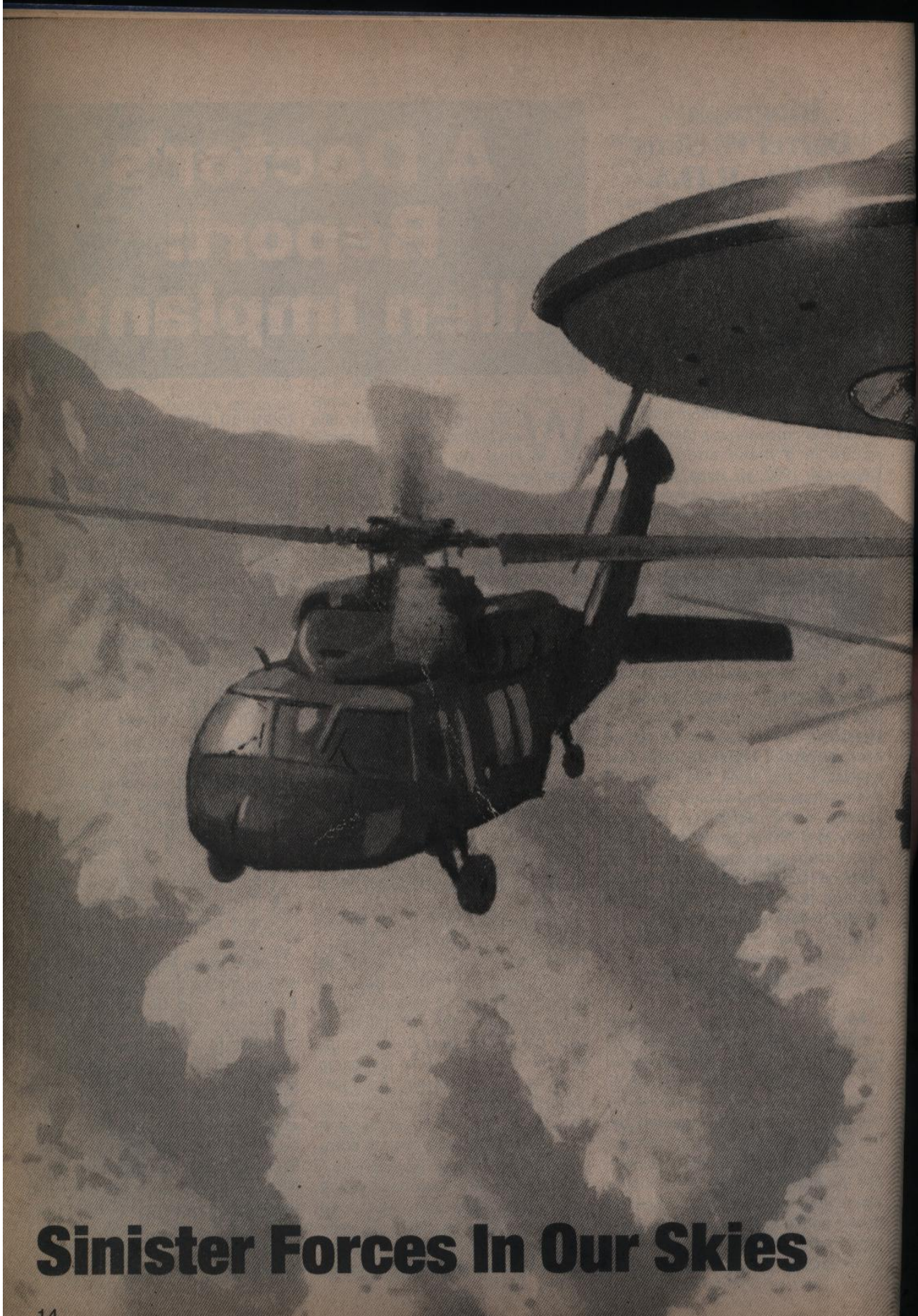
A Doctor's Report: Alien Implants

What's new? What's the latest? What have you heard? How are the abductees? These, amongst others are questions that I have been besieged with every day since I removed the objects from the two patients on August 19th. It seems that our attempts to keep this on a local secure level are being slowly eroded away by good natured curiosity seekers and others with questionable interests. It was amazing to learn that there had been a radio call-in talk show broadcast from the Valley area with dialogue between a representative from "MUFON" and the show host regarding this event. I would like to make it crystal clear to our readers, that scientific progress does not take place overnight and can not be pressured by certain time constraints. For those of our readers that were not privy to the above event, I will divert for a brief review.

In conjunction with a well known researcher from Houston, Texas, I assembled a team of professionals including a psychotherapist, a general surgeon, a surgical room nurse and several specialists in data collection and documentation for the purpose of removing possible "Alien Implants" from two patients who had been flown in from Texas. The director of research was Derrel Sims who owns a company called "Saber Enterprises." This organization has been doing much work with abductees and has close ties with the "University of Houston." On August the 19th, I am pleased to say we successfully removed three suspect objects from these individuals. The objects were documented, photographed and cataloged. They were then placed in the patient's own blood serum to be transported back to Texas with Derrel. I am happy to report that both patients are doing well and have fully recuperated from their surgery. Initial findings on the objects are as follows:

1. All three objects were found to fluoresce a brilliant green color; when exposed to ultraviolet light.
2. All three objects are highly magnetic and will virtually fly towards a ferrous metal object from about six inches away.
3. All three objects were encased in some type of a membrane which had enough textile strength, to prevent me cutting into it with a scalpel blade.
4. The objects were metallic and appeared to be black in color.

Future plans include, analysis by an Electronics Engineer, a Chemical Engineer, and finally on to the University for Electron Microscopy and Photospectrometry. Please be assured that readers of this publication will be the first to know any upcoming results. You might also be interested to know that here has been interest from both *Sightings* on Fox Network and NBC, whom I have been told have developed an interest in the Roswell Alien Autopsy film. Any further developments on this front will be forthcoming.



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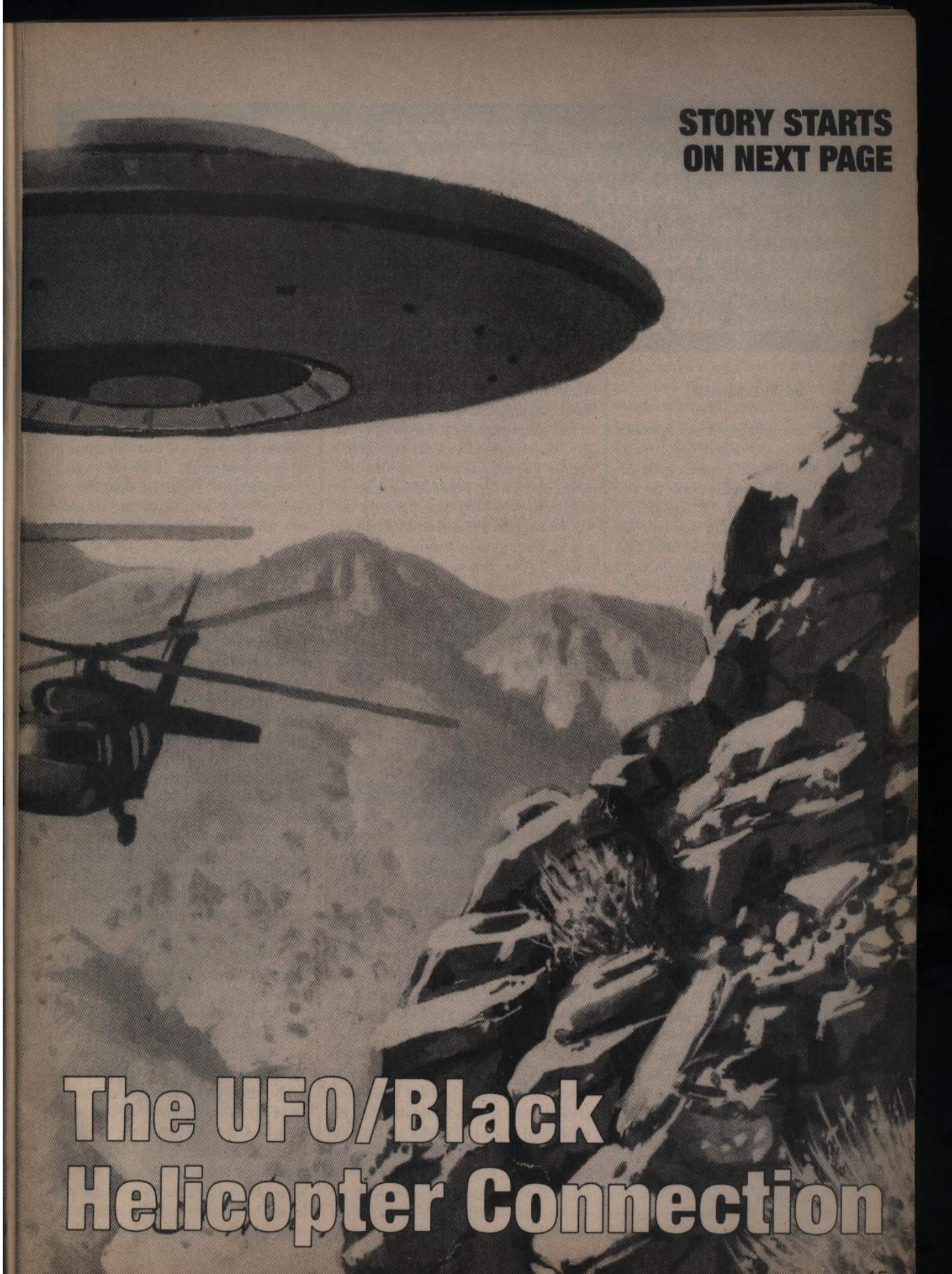

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The UFO/Black Helicopter Connection

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by Jim Keith

What could be the most famous of many hundreds of unmarked helicopter events reported occurred around 9:00 on the evening of December 29, 1980. Two middle-aged women and a small boy were traveling on a tree-lined rural road north of Houston, Texas when a UFO dropped from the sky into their lives. It was a UFO that might yet kill them.

Radiation can kill, we all know that. What Betty Cash, age 51, her friend Vickie Landrum, age 57, and Vickie's grandson Colby ran into that night had all the earmarks of being an atomic-powered spacecraft. All three of the witnesses suffered the apparent affects of radiation exposure; both short-term and long-term. Besides the immediate and painful burns and sickness that exposure to radiation can cause, the invisible damage to living tissue caused by it can reappear in later life as cancer or leukemia. For Betty Cash this was no mere theoretical knowledge. Eventually Betty was forced to undergo a double mastectomy for breast cancer. She believes her cancer resulted from her encounter with the unknown that December night.

The three were driving home to Dayton, Texas from a day at Lake Houston. Through the bare trees they spotted a bright light in the sky. Moments later they found themselves in the middle of an event straight out of the *X Files*. As Betty drove the car closer, they discovered that the mysterious light was coming from a huge diamond-shaped object that was hovering several feet above the road. It glowed, and was emitting an eerie beeping sound. Most amazing of all, occasionally the object's bottom flashed and flared, spewing an exhaust of fire accompanied by a roaring noise. This sounds much like a description of a hot air balloon, except, this fire shot down, not up as would the burner in a balloon. Following each flare, the object would rise a few feet, as a balloon might, then slowly begin to descend again. To the trio watching from the ground, it seemed as if the object was having trouble staying aloft.

Betty stopped the car. The object was very hot and she was afraid to drive under it for fear she would damage her vehicle. They watched the up-and-down dance of the strange object from the car for a few minutes. Then, curiosity getting the better of them, the three got out.

The heat from the strange craft was intense. All three found it very uncomfortable, even against the chill of a December evening. Colby, Vickie's seven year old grandson, was the first to become scared. After a minute or so he became frightened and urged the ladies to return to the car. He got back into the car and was followed shortly by his grandmother. Betty, fascinated, remained outside for several minutes. Hers was the greatest exposure to whatever was emanating from the craft, and hers were the most severe symptoms to later appear.

Soon Betty felt the need to retreat to the presumed safety of the car as well. When she tried to open her door she was startled to discover that the metal handle was too hot to touch. She used her leather coat as a grip and got back into the car, careful not to touch anything metal. Moments later the event took the strangest turn of all.

Shortly after Betty returned to the car, the peculiar object began to rise up. It passed over the trees, leaving the road open and the threesome able to continue their interrupted journey. That's when the cavalry charged in.

Like a scene out of the movie Apocalypse Now, the air was suddenly filled with the rhythmic chopping sound of approaching helicopters. The sound rose to a tooth-rattling crescendo. Waves of choppers passed directly overhead. Indeed, there were so many craft in the sky that the witnesses were afraid that they might crash into each other. Despite the darkness the three could make out the outlines of the aircraft. They counted at least twenty choppers, and they thought that there were probably more like 23 or 25 in all.

They spotted two types of choppers in that swarm. Later, working with UFO investigators using helicopter identification charts, Betty was able to positively identity one of the two varieties as being a Boeing Vertol CH-47, commonly known as a "Chinook." The Chinook class chopper is a large, transport-type craft. It can carry up to 44 fully armed troops or carry significant payloads slung underneath it. It has a full rotor at either end, giving it a "flying

banana" appearance. Neither of the women could positively identify the other type of chopper, but they tended to believe that it was the Vietnam era multi-purpose heli-craft known as a "Huey."

As the strange diamond-shaped craft flew off to the southwest in the general direction of Houston, the fleet of choppers surrounded it. By now the three travelers were both confused and very frightened. As they watched, the choppers first paced, then seemed to try to surround the possibly ailing craft. To Betty it seemed like they were attempting to fly in formation with it. Vickie also thought that it seemed that they were trying to escort it, herding it, perhaps. Quickly the weird craft with its whirlybird entourage disappeared into the winter night, the whup-whup sound of rotors slowly fading away into the distance.

At last Betty started her car. The remainder of the trip home was uneventful, except that even before they reached their destination all three were beginning to suffer the ill effects of their close encounter. They all had swollen glands, tender skin and blurred vision.

The boy, Colby, was exposed the least; for not much more than a minute. Over time he suffered erythema (reddening of the skin); eyes swollen and watery; stomach pains; diarrhea; anorexia (loss of appetite); some weight loss; and an increase in tooth cavities. While his physical trauma was the least, he experienced significant psychological upset. At the time he became convinced it was the end of the world and later suffered from nightmares and f ear and anxiety attacks.

Vickie Landrum was exposed for three to five minutes. Her symptoms and Betty's were startlingly similar. Both displayed the "classic" effects associated with radiation exposure. Betty, who had been outside of the car for a longer time, had all of Vickie's symptoms, only far worse. Vickie had erythema; photophthalmia (eyes swollen, watery and painful); vision greatly diminished; stomach pains; diarrhea; anorexia; ulceration on the arms that resulted in scarring and loss of pigmentation; her keratin was affected resulting in fingernail damage; and, perhaps most emotionally disturbing, she experienced hair loss, and the hair that eventually re-grew was of a different texture.

Betty Cash was exposed for five to ten minutes. She also had erythema, only hers was so severe that patches of skin came off of her face; acute photophthalmia—her eyes swelled completely shut; stomach pains; vomiting; diarrhea; anorexia; loss of energy; scarring and loss of skin pigmentation; excessive hair loss followed by regrowth of a different texture. The day following their encounter with the mystery craft Vickie had to take Betty to a hospital emergency room where the distraught woman was treated as a burn victim.

Betty is convinced that what she saw that night was an experimental aircraft, one in all probability owned and operated by the U.S. government. She took the presence of the many helicopters as

proof of this. She has repeatedly attempted to sue Uncle Sam for her medical expenses, but with no success. The government of course denies any knowledge or participation in the construction or operation of a craft such as described by Betty and Vickie.

The Cash-Landrum Case (or the "Huffman Case" as it is sometimes called after the near-by Harris County town of that name) is just one of hundreds of reported cases involving UFOs and conventional aircraft. Another such sighting comes from a book titled *Mystery Stalks the Prairie* by Wolverton and Donovan. In that instance a rancher and his sons were in their pickup when they observed a hotel-sized UFO in the distance. The giant UFO had many smaller UFOs flitting about it. As they watched in awe a helicopter came on the scene. At first they thought the chopper was an instance of the government coming to investigate. But, to compound their amazement, as the whirlybird approached the giant UFO, it morphed into another of the small UFOs and was absorbed by the mother ship. This, and similar reports, have led some researchers into speculating that, at least in some cases, the choppers might not be helicopters at all, but UFOs disguised as terrestrial whirlybirds.

Throughout this decade there have been escalating numbers of sightings of these craft, flying in violation of local and federal laws, engaged in suspicious, if not outright illegal business.

In the two cases I have just described we have some of the principal elements of the UFO/black helicopter connection. Only one element is missing--that of mutilated cattle.

As I noted in my book, *Black Helicopters Over America: Strikeforce for the New World Order,* hundreds of sightings of mystery helicopters were reported in the latter half of 1994 alone. Throughout this decade there have been escalating numbers of sightings of these craft, flying in violation of local and federal laws, engaged in suspicious, if not outright illegal business.

I was first able to document sightings of black, unmarked helicopters beginning with an incident from August, 1971. In that report from Lake County, Colorado, forty sheep were found "blistered" in some unknown manner after a rancher observed a helicopter over-fly his flock. It set the tone for the two decades of reports that were to follow. From 1971 to 1985 black choppers repeatedly appear in—and disappear from—the vicinities of cattle mutilations before, during, or after those grizzly crimes took place.

While cattle were the animal most commonly mutilated, many other species did not escape the attention of the "choppers" (as the mutilators have sometimes been called). The animals killed have included sheep, goats, horses and other domestic animals, even

cats and dogs, as well as wild animals, such as caribou. The actual number of cattle and other animals mutilated will never be known. Once ranchers and farmers realized that the authorities, and their own cattlemen's associations, were powerless to stop the destruction of their livestock, many gave up even bothering to report the incidents.

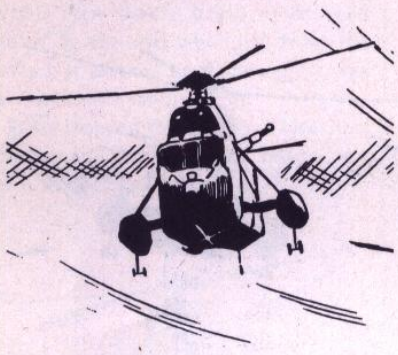
The reported events of cattle mutilation number into the tens of thousands in the U.S. and Canada alone, although the phenomenon is hardly restricted to North America. Cattle mutilations have occurred on every continent, from China to Australia to Africa. What percentage of the "mutes" involve mystery helicopters is unknowable. If I were to hazard a guess, I would say that mysterious lights in the night sky or mystery aircraft, fixed-wing or whirlybird, figure in perhaps half of all mutilations; with the reports about equally divided between UFOs and unmarked helicopters.

Rather than quoting from the hundreds of sightings, police reports and other related case histories which I cite in my book, let me draw a composite sketch. While few, if any, mute cases have all of the following aspects, these are key elements that recur time and again:

The animal is killed at night, usually in the hours between midnight and dawn. There is no apparent form of death: no bullet holes, no indication of predator attack. Usually there is no sign of struggle. The animal is often found some distance from its last set of tracks. In many cases broken branches are found directly above the animal as if it had been lowered, or dropped, to the earth. There are no footprints or other tracks, although there are sometimes strange marks, holes or gouges in the ground as though some heavy instruments or tools had been set up.

The black helicopters were chasing, and occasionally shooting at people; spraying mysterious deadly chemicals in populated areas; and escorting—not UFOs—but foreign troops. Meanwhile, UFOs of radical new shapes and types began to appear.

The mutilations themselves are no less strange than the crime scenes. The animal is most commonly drained of blood, and there is almost never any blood on the ground. The animal has been subjected to a series of surgical procedures that cannot be described as simple mutilation. Often these incisions are described as demonstrating a skill or technology beyond anything the observers are familiar with. I personally interviewed a heart surgeon who had examined a mute, and he declared that the quality of the grisly "workmanship" was beyond anything he had seen in his many years of clinical practice. Sometimes the incisions are described as impossibly accurate knife or scalpel work, and at other times as laser cuts.



These mutilators leave most of the animal's body untouched. Their interest seems, depending perhaps on the observer's bias, either scientific or magical. Most commonly the rectum is cored out, an ear and/or an eye removed, and other portions of the face and head, such as lips, or tongue are wholly or partially removed. Additionally, the penis or vagina is sometimes removed along with all or part of one or more teats

There are several possible explanations for these strange harvests. As a reader of this publication, you are probably familiar with the stories of the UFO aliens having underground bases scattered across America, particularly in the desert Southwest. Researchers following up on these reports have suggested that the mutes are part of an ongoing program by the aliens. Abductees have returned with chilling stories of seeing vats filled with blood and body parts. This has fueled speculation that the aliens are engaged in weird scientific experiments—possibly involving human-alien interbreeding.

Other, perhaps more down-to-earth researchers have speculated that the beings responsible for the mutes are wholly terrestrial in origin. The two most widely discussed explanations are secret government biological warfare studies and religious cults.

The government has been known to have sought ethnic-specific biological weapons in the past. Interestingly, the eyes of the cow are biologically very similar to a particular ethnic group—Orientals—that some U.S. military strategists feel we may someday be forced to fight. With one or both eyes missing from most mutes, investigators have pointed to biological warfare research as the probable reason for these bizarre crimes. Other researchers suspect Satanists or other practitioners of ritual magic to be committing these strange nocturnal acts, and sometimes magical symbols or paraphernalia is found in the vicinity of cattle mutilations.

Returning to that night that Betty Cash and her friends will never forget, Project Stigmata (in issue number 17 of their publication Stigmata) succinctly listed the possibilities inherent in the UFO and choppers witnessed in the Cash-Landrum Case:

"1. The UFO itself was extraterrestrial, nonterrestrial, alien or otherwise extramundane in origin, and the "helicopters" were nothing more than UFOs themselves, attending to the "mothership," perhaps.

"2. The UFO was "alien," but the "helicopters" were U.S. made craft attached to the military.

"3. The UFO was terrestrial in origin representing a secret or experimental operation, and the choppers were operating under military auspices."

While the above was penned to address the Cash-Landrum case, it fits virtually all of the UFO/black helicopter scenarios. At point number one above I would add, as a possible point of origin for the UFOs, "extra-dimensional visitors.' That is where I believe the "gray aliens" originate from. However, I generally hold to the explanation covered by point number three. As I showed in

my book, *Casebook On Alternative 3: UFOs, Secret Societies and World Control* (available from IllumiNet Press), there is ample evidence to support the contention that there is one or more secret space programs afoot on this planet. While it is not impossible that the UFO in the Cash-Landrum case was a bugbear from somewhere out there, it is far more likely that it came from the same sort of earthly powers that gave us Stealth aircraft and the long denied SR-71 "Blackbird."

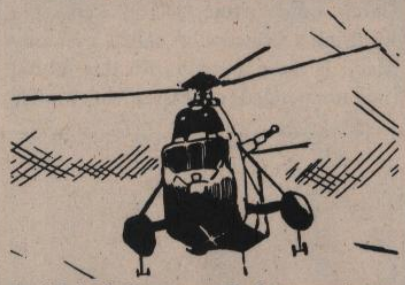
Other researchers, such as Whitley Strieber, would add "extra-temporal visitors" (in other words, visitors from other times) to Stigmata's first point. In his book Communion, Streiber put forward the suggestion that extraterrestrials, having traveled through space to reach Earth, might then have used time ships to explore all the eras of Earth's history.

Still, with all the evidence that the choppers, represent something very strange, some individuals dismiss the whole mutilation phenomenon as the work of pranksters and cattle rustlers. Certainly some of this could be the work of rustlers. Cattle rustling today is a multi-million dollar industry. But theories of hopped-up college kids and beefsteak bootleggers can hardly explain away all of the evidence in the mute/chopper files. With the passage of time the mystery has only deepened, and the cases have just gotten stranger...

In the 1990s, unmarked aircraft sightings, particularly those of black helicopters, took an unexpected twist. Cattle mutilations tapered off, while stories began to surface of black, unmarked helicopters engaged in very troubling activities. The black helicopters were chasing, and occasionally shooting at people; spraying mysterious deadly chemicals in populated areas; and escorting—not UFOs—but foreign troops. Meanwhile, UFOs of radical new shapes and types began to appear. In Belgium, for example, in less than two year's time there were nearly 10,000 sightings of triangular UFOs. Reports of these triangle-shaped craft have now come in from all over the globe.

The book *Black Helicopters Over America* was an attempt to understand this new face of the mystery aircraft puzzle. Something is going on here. Too many credible witnesses have seen too many military style helicopters engaging in too many strange and illegal acts. Regardless of their point of origin, it seems highly improbable that the U.S. government is completely ignorant of the existence of the hundreds, perhaps thousands, of unmarked helicopters that are regularly observed criss-crossing our skies. It seems fair to assume that somewhere, at some level of government, someone is keeping a tight lid on all this. If you and I are to avoid ending up in a hospital, morgue or Joining in a class-action suit with Betty Cash, we need to force the government's hand; we need to insist that they tell us what they know.

The important thing about the black choppers is not that they are black, it is that their presence is being denied. This



denial is defacto proof of a conspiracy. We, the public, are being lied to. Our safety may depend upon discovering why.

One can speculate on what the black choppers are about until the (mutilated?) cows come home, but until we actually know what is going on, it is unlikely that we will be able to take effective action. Write letters to the editor to your local newspaper. Call in to radio talk shows. Call or write your elected officials at every level of government. Demand that they make those who know come clean with the American public. Insist that the FAA and the Air Force be compelled to open their files on these mystery craft. We have been asking for a clearing of the air on UFOs for years, but now we need to add the truth about the black choppers to our list of demands. Remind your elected officials that if they fail to open those files, you can vote for someone else, someone who will cooperate with "We the People." It is after all our country—and our skies that the black choppers are flying in.

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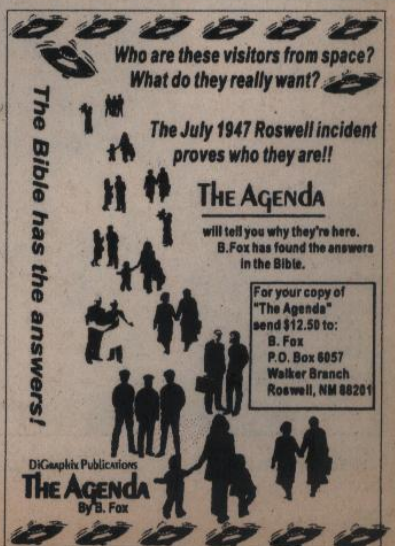
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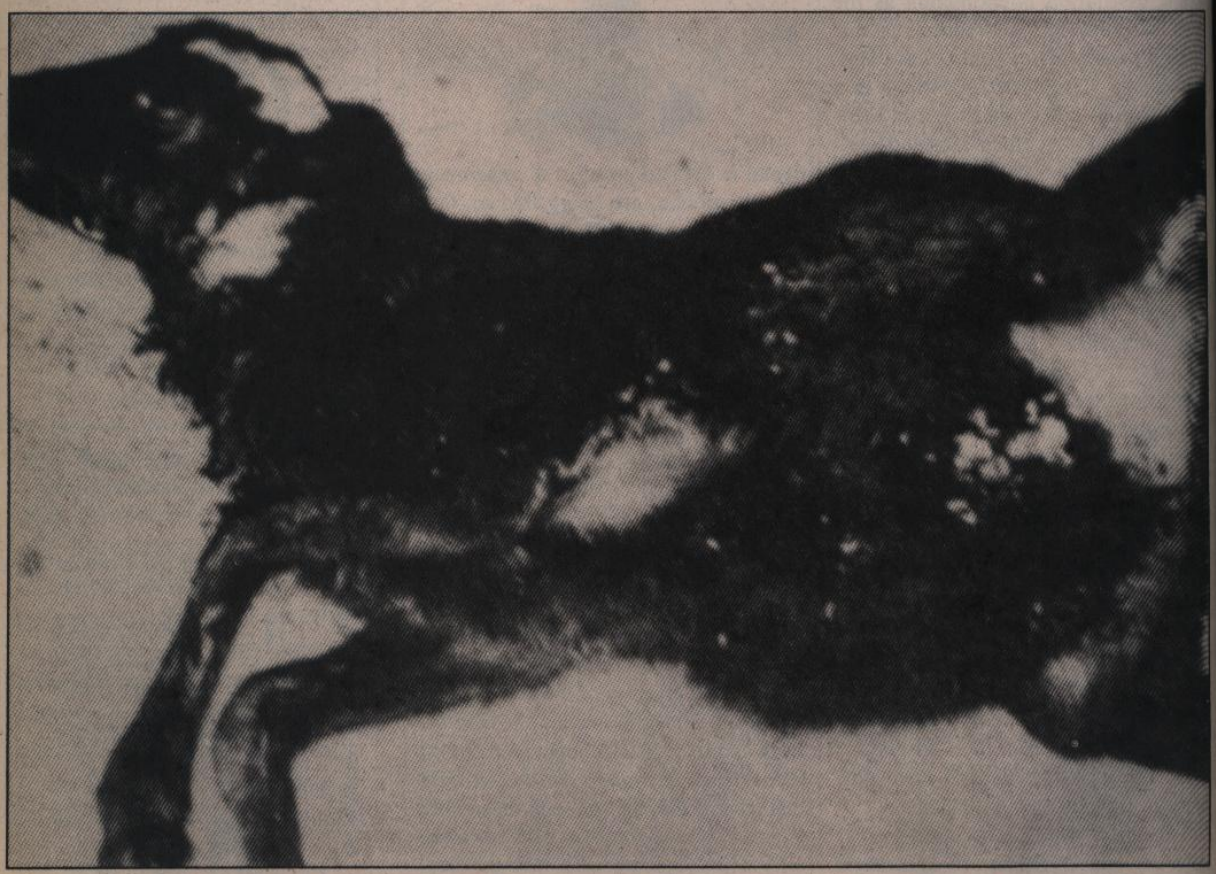
THE PARANORMAL & BLOOD MAGIC

by Scott Corrales

Our language is literally awash in blood. We speak of blood relations, purity of blood, and blood money. Aristocracy is said to be blue-blooded; Spanish playwright Federico García Lorca wrote "Blood Wedding"; we drink a Concoction called a Bloody Mary. Is there a reason for this mortal (pun unintended) obsession with blood?

Civilizations around the globe since the beginning of recorded history have considered blood as a sign of invulnerability and potency, a substance to be sacrificed to gods in exchange for divine



Recent mutilation victim: The bloodthirsty Chupacabras is the latest in a long tradition of predatory beings.

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favor. Looking back from our own century, we are understandably repulsed by the hideous blood orgies of the Aztecs and Mayas, whose high priests' hair was "caked with human blood" according to chronicler Bernal Diaz del Castillo. The demand for blood sacrifice by the God of the Old Testament is no less bewildering; yet we read of the mythical Roman king Servius, who thwarted Jupiter's request for the sacrifice of a living creature by throwing a small fish into the offering. The immolation of animals or humans for propitiatory purposes, according to German scholar Wilhelm Ziehr, stems from the fact that deities do not accept gratitude expressed through prayer or the acceptance of commandments—only sacrifice, and the greatest sacrifice that can be offered is, of course, human blood.

In many traditions, deities both good and evil have craved for blood, or will perform services for a human sorcerer in exchange for it. In Homer's epic, Odysseus summoned the grim shades of the dead with an outpouring of blood from freshly slaughtered black sheep, and must the hold the howling revenants at bay with his sword so that only one of them—the spectre of the dead seer Tiresias—can feast on the blood's energy and foretell the circumstances of his return to Ithaca. The ancients believed that the spirits of the dead lusted after blood, as did other beings belonging to the spirit world, who could be appeased with nothing less. As a result, the sight of blood created was highly disturbing, particularly among the old Middle Eastern cultures.

In the eleventh chapter of Livy's *History* we find a most curious story: "In the quiet of the evening, both consuls claimed having been visited by the same apparition: a figure whose height towered above that of ordinary men, and of greater majesty. It declared that the commander and the army must be sacrificed to the manes (spirits) and their

Spanish researcher Salvador Freixedo has expressed the belief that supernatural, malevolent powers loom over our world.

An ancient offering of blood to a diety.

blood poured on to Mother Earth." We see in this Roman anecdote the presence of a superhuman entity that desires the death of thousands of human beings for its own inscrutable purposes.

Blood and Sorcery

Readers of heroic fantasy are well acquainted with Michael Moorcock's Elric of Melniboné, an albino warrior who demands blood and souls for his infernal patron as he strikes with his blood-drinking sword Stormbringer, which transmits vitality to its wielder.[1] Yet these exploits are tame compared with rituals occurring in real life.

A cult among the Iranian tribespeople living near the Russian villages of Temerchan-Shura and Derbent gathers all its adherents into a wildly gyrating circle of worshippers until their agitated dance becomes a frenzy, during which they wound one another with knives until they are dripping blood. The dancers then perceive the presence of "astral entities." The Yezidis, who inhabit the harsh mountains of Kurdistan, form similar gatherings during which a sorcerer invokes the devil while the devotees' blood flows freely.[2] If the invocation has been successful, certain occult manifestations become visible, such as enormous fireballs which take the shape of animals.

An even more troubling situation could come about from this use of blood for negative purposes: the sorcerer himself might become a vampire after death, plaguing his community until slain for a second time.

Is it blood itself these manifestations crave or is it the "soul-stuff," the energy contained within? More importantly, what are these manifestations?

The Elementals

Egyptian author Rollo Ahmed deals with the subject of elementals earnestly, separating them into three kinds: foremost among them the semi-intelligent manifestations produced by activities such as those engaged in by the Yezidis, then the nature spirits, and finally what he terms "the hollow shells or simulacra of those whose actual spirits have become sunk in evil to the extinction of ego." The first kind is created by the collective thoughts of the group feeding their existence (much like the Tibetan tulpas described by Alexandra David-Neel). Ahmed expresses a belief in the existence of a colossal "elemental of war" composed by the thoughts of millions of people during armed conflicts. Likewise, the Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse should be considered semi-intelligent manifestations of this variety as opposed to some fanciful Biblical creation. "Every scene of horror and debauchery...every brothel, every asylum...attracts and creates these vile beings. To a certain variety of them blood has a great attraction."[3] The author goes on to indicate that the power of elementals increases with the mere presence of blood, and their existence at a seance can be tested by bringing fresh

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blood into the circle.

Beware of the Gods

Spanish paranormal researcher Salvador Freixedo made a concerted effort at answering this question in his book Defendámonos de los Dioses (Beware of the Gods). Freixedo postulates that the manifestations we have called gods, spirits, and many other names have power over us, in many ways, and inhabit a higher realm of existence, nourishing themselves on the "subtle energies" contained in blood and on the waves produced by humans or animals experiencing pain.[4] He goes on to discuss how these superior beings play a role in causing human religious wars, which give them the two elements they need. Freixedo extrapolates his theory to cover instances of UFO activity where great importance has been placed on blood, such as the phenomenal waves of cattle mutilations which leave animals drained of their blood. Freixedo states:

"If the mutilations and bleedings of animals are interesting, those of human beings are all the more so. In 1977, when I was in the city of San Luis Potosí, some 300 kilometers north of Mexico City, the first case of this nature reached my attention: a newborn child had been found lifeless and entirely devoid of blood. The bizarre circumstances surrounding the case prompted me to investigate deeper, and I immediately realized that it was not an isolated case but one among many similar ones.

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"The general circumstances were these: the victims were usually newborns or very young babies; hematomas or blemishes on their skins were apparent, as if blood had been sucked through them. The common denominator in all cases was that they were entirely bloodless. In some cases it appeared as if the blood had been sucked out through their mouths, as there were no wounds or marks of any kind on their flesh. It is also common for the mothers of of these children to be found in a deep, lethargic state of sleep beside their dead offspring, as if they had been drugged by someone while the bleeding of their children was being carried out. There are also adults who claim—or suppose —that they have been attacked in their sleep, because they awaken to find themselves covered in bruises and also feel a great lassitude.

All these events occurred in the municipality of Landa de Matamoros, in the state of Querétaro, and in different localities. Naturally, people began to talk about vampires and other things and panic spread among the poor inhabitants

Blood sacrifice was a common practice among Mesoamerican cultures.

Strange creatures traditionally nourish themselves on the energy contained in blood.

of the region. The cases were reported to the authorities, who conducted an investigation to find what caused the deaths, but as it often happens, no conclusion was ever arrived at and the authorities tried to let the matter be forgotten. The places in which most of these incidents took place were Tres Lagunas, Tancoyol, Valle de Guadalupe, Pinalito de la Cruz and other very small hamlets located on the Paster Sierra Madre, not far from the San Luis Potosí border.

One can, of course, attribute these deaths to natural causes, but there are nonetheless certain circumstances that make them very similar to animal mutilations. One of these strange circumstances, which students of the UFO phenomenon will find meaningful, is the fact that the inhabitants of the region were constantly seeing lights moving slowly across the sky at night around the time when the incidents occurred. The lights would stop on nearby hills, or even in the treetops, and executed very strange maneuvers. The humble villagers call these lights "brujas" ("witches") and are in fact quite afraid of them (they reappear from time to time), and to defend themselves against them, they have certain magic rituals that were described to me.[5]

Globes of light, such as the kind described by Freixedo, have also been known to follow pilgrims on their way to Chalco—a religious sanctuary near Mexico City. These globes are also denominated "brujas" (witches), since they are supposedly the shape assumed by witches on the way to their covens.

Saucers of Blood

The UFO phenomenon has also shown a peculiar interest in blood, both human and animal. Believers in an extraterrestrial solution to the twentieth century's most disquieting enigma opine that alien "scientists" have a medical or research oriented interest in the corporeal fluids of the species they happen to be studying (in this case, us). Does this explain the classic UFO chase of a Bloodmobile in the state of Ohio? According to the story, in March 1967, the driver of a Red Cross bloodmobile driving along the Ohio River noticed a "star" making a rapid descent: a UFO with pincer-like arms swooped out of the sky in an effort to seize the vehicle, which avoided capture thanks to the evasive action of the terrified driver, and the sudden appearance of other vehicles on the road. Oddly enough, astronauts Edward White and James McDivitt had noticed a strange object in space during a Gemini mission in June 1965. The unidentified object was described as having "arms."

Perhaps the most significant link between UFOs and the importance of blood can be found in the area of cattle mutilations—an epidemic of global proportions which shows no indications whatsoever of slowing down. Modern mutilation research is usually said to begin with the mysterious death in 1967 of "Snippy," a horse belonging to a Colorado rancher. The animal was found in a field with all the flesh covering its neck and face gone as if cut by expert precision from the rest of the flesh on the body. The phenomenon has spread around the planet, manifesting itself in every country and in a variety of ways. The mystery-prone Canary Islands were hit hard in the mid-1970's by a combination of UFO and mutilation cases. The intense mutilation epidemic that swept across the United States around that very same time was explained away as abominable acts committed by devil-worshippers or idolatrists throughout the country. Credence to this theory was lent by the discovery of a statuette of the Egyptian goddess Isis, whose worship involved the sacrifice of a cow, which was found at a makeshift altar on a mountainside near Butte, Montana in 1976 (curiously enough, the worship of the Persian divinity Mithra also involved the slaying of a bull, the blood of which was employed to bathe the initiate to the cult). As of this writing, the Caribbean island of Puerto Rico is still being wracked by the presence of a bizarre mutilating creature known as the "Chupacabras," which has left hundreds of bloodless animal carcasses in its wake. Similarly, Peruvian cattle is being decimated by a mandrill-like predator known as the Isnashi, which has also eluded capture.

If we follow Salvador Freixedo's line of thinking, have these creatures been sent by powers we can only guess at in order to "collect" the blood they feel is their due? While far-fetched at face value, there is a certain logic in supposing that the disappearance of official religions that incorporated animal and human sacrifice into their doctrines would have kept these "overlords" from enjoying the outpouring of energy found in blood.

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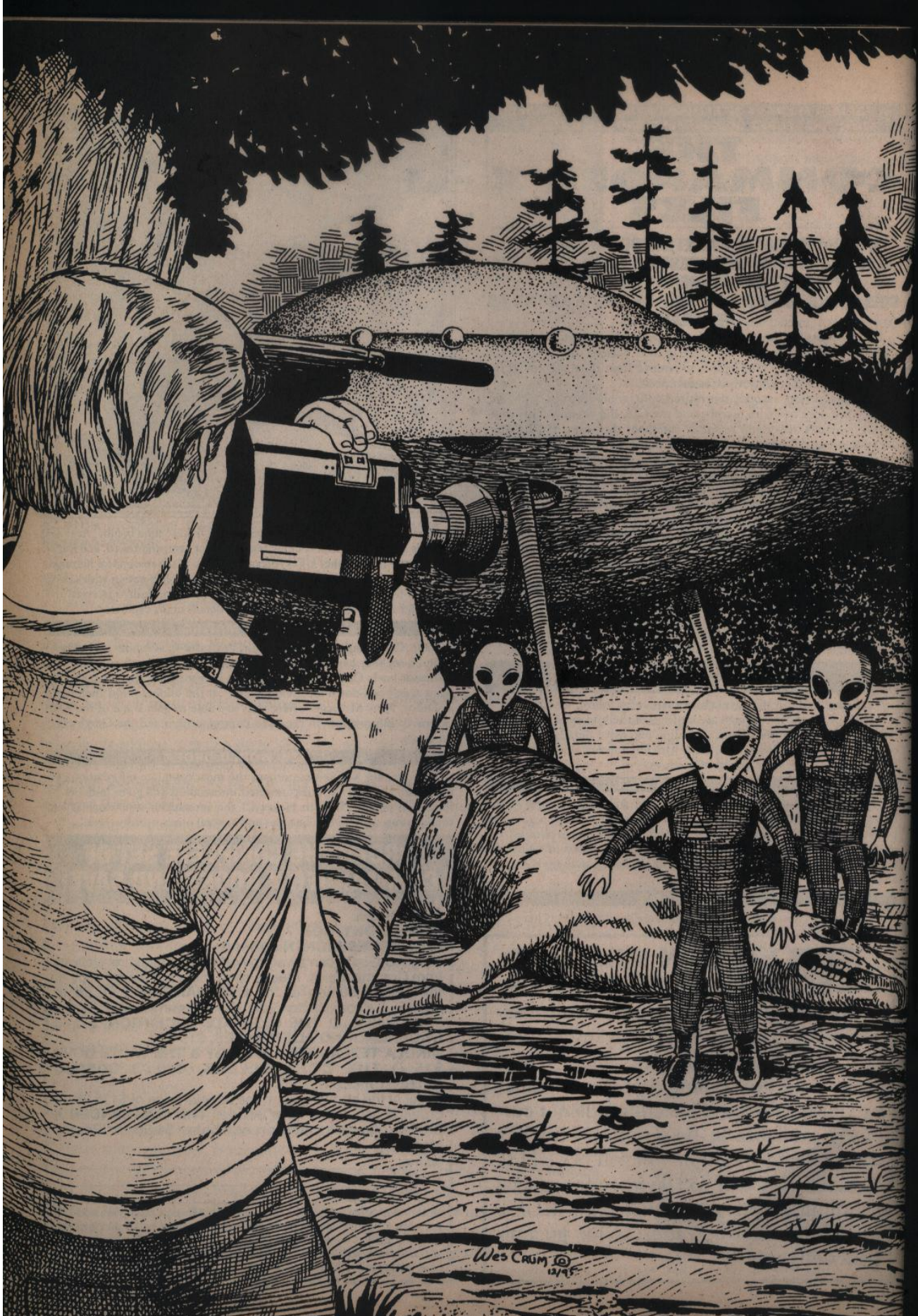
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Alabama's Mutilation Wave

by Wayne Ruple

Mysterious lights, unmarked helicopters, missing public records and unusual "flakes" continue to make up the ongoing five year cattle mutilation story in north Alabama.

In 1989 the Sand Mountain area of north Alabama gained world-wide notoriety as people came from throughout the nation to view UFOs seen almost nightly in the skies over and near the small town of Fyffe.

Then, on Oct. 20, 1992 cattle farmer John Strawn of Albertville reported the finding, by his neighbor, of one of his cows laying in a wooded area of the pasture—the animal's entire milk sac missing, leaving a neat, oval incision apparently charred.

Strawn told reporters, "There are two main arteries that run through an udder and it should have bled a lot" but there was no evidence of blood on the cow or at the scene.

Some 30 more cases followed in fairly rapid succession and then reports subsided for about two years until Feb. 9 of this year when a 1,000 pound Holstein cow was found dead on the James Pittman farm about 10 miles east of Albertville.

Following the Strawn case on Oct. 20, 1992, the farm of Albertville Police Department's Chief of Detectives, Tommy Cole, was victim in mid January, 1993

A mutilated cow found dead on the Pittman farm near Geraldine, Alabama. The incident happened in February of this year. Note the large cut on the animal's neck and what appears to be a portion of the bone missing. (Photo by Wayne Ruple.)

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when he found a black Angus steer mutilated in his pasture.

"A predator will tear and rip at an animal. All of this has been done with the precision of a surgeon," Cole commented following this and additional cases.

Cole told the media that the majority of cases involved removal of the sex organs, tongue, heart, udders and rectums by precision cuts.

"Most of them (mutilations) have occurred along the TVA power lines that run in and around Albertville," he said while adding that many of the pastures were accessible via TVA access roads.

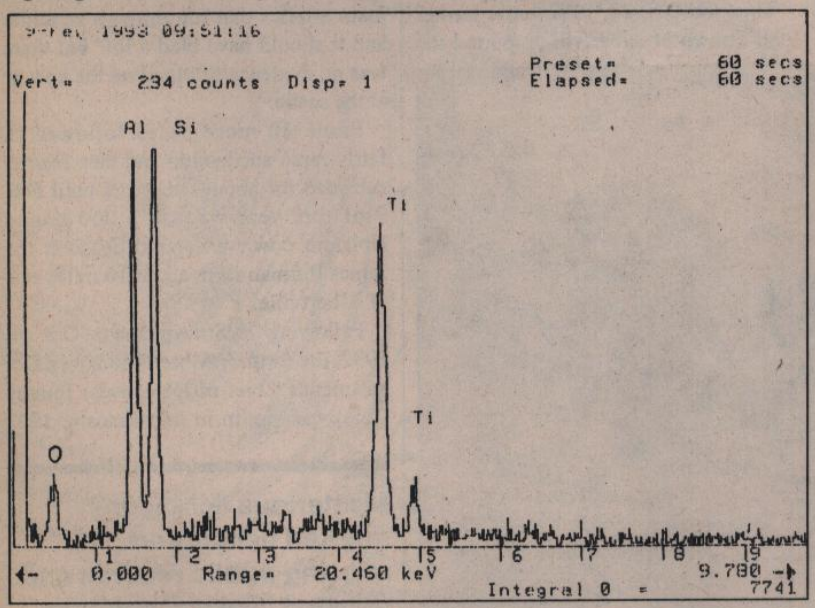
Commenting on the strange helicopter sightings, Cole said that most of them appeared to be Bell Jet Rangers painted with the same color scheme, light blue bodies with gray bottoms, as TVA copters but having no markings. Several reports indicated some of the choppers contained at least four men.

As the 1993 incidents wound down, the city of Albertville was practically surrounded, in a perfect circle, by mutilation cases.

Following the Cole case, the Fyffe Police Department, headed up by chief Charles "Junior" Garmany and investigating officer Ted Oliphant, began working closely with the Albertville PD.

A week following the Cole Farm mutilation, another incident occurred in Albertville followed by reports in Grove Oak and Dawson.

The James Pittman farm near Geraldine, Alabama, where a mutilated cow was found in February of this year. The cow was found by Pittman's daughter, Jaci, and was laying in the depression (in the middle of the photo) partially formed by a small pond next to the fence of this pasture. There were no tracks in the soft, wet mud surrounding the pond and investigators found no evidence of blood. (Photo by Wayne Ruple)



A test conducted with a scanning electron microscope performing energy dispersive spectroscopy indicated that the flaky material found on a cow in the Dawson community of Alabama in 1993 indicated a high content of aluminum (AL), silicon (Si), titanium (Ti) and oxygen (O) as seen from ths print-out provided to the press by the Fyffe Police Department.

It was in Dawson that hardware store manager Gary Cooker was able to capture a number of strange lights on film with his 35mm camera.

During the first week in February, 1993 there were nine reported mutilations in Marshall and DeKalb counties. In addition to mutilated cattle there were persistent reports of helicopters before, during and shortly after the incidents.

On Jan. 31, 1993 a Dawson area rancher reported the death of a black Angus cow. According to a report issued by the Fyffe Police Department. "The animal's genitals and rectum had been cored out in one large incision that left a hole the size of a coffee can. The animal's jaw had been completely stripped in an oval incision that encompassed the entire right side of the animal's face. The tongue was completely gone, cut deep down into the throat. There was no blood present on the animal itself, nor on the ground surrounding it."

It was at this site that something of a breakthrough occurred when investigators found a flaky white material on part of the animal and ground nearby.

Oliphant stated that while removing the flaky particles from a cigarette wrapper in which they had been col-

This map shows northeast Alabama with Marshall and DeKalb countries outlined in darker ink. The towns and areas in which UFOs have been seen or cattle mutilations occurred are shown with large black dots. Included are Union Grove, Asbury, Albertville, Boaz, Crossville, Geraldine, Dawson, Cedar Bluff, Fyffe and Sylvania.

lected, the flakes came in contact with the brass tip of a ball point pen and the flakes quickly melted into a clear liquid.

According to a special report issued by the Fyffe PD, "a molecular biologist at a leading university" conducted an analysis which indicated the flakes to be composed of an unusual mixture of aluminum, titanium and silicon.

The department, during a press conference April 7, 1993, promised a second opinion and the release of the molecular biologist's name and university but this writer has not found any such evidence.

As a matter of fact, the Fyffe PD now says they have absolutely no record of any mutilation reports in their files.

Whether someone involved with the department removed the files or an outside agency caused their removal is up for question. Or are the files really there and present, but officials don't want them to be released for public inspection?

Tissue samples from a cow mutilated on the Sylvania farm of Kenneth Hiland in late February, 1993 revealed that a sharp instrument had been used to make the cuts.

On Feb. 27, 1993 Crossville farmer David McClendon found a three-week-old calf laying in a wooded area with a large portion of its right hind quarter missing. In addition, all the calf's internal organs were missing and the chest cavity cleaned.

Upon close examination, Oliphant said that actual incisions appeared to be serrated while others were straight and even.

Tissue samples were sent to Dr. John Aschuler, formerly of the University of Colorado, who now operates a pathology and hematology lab.

The special police report states that tissue samples from the McClendon cow showed they had been exposed to high heat "in the hundreds of degrees and possibly higher."

Following a mutilation at the Pope Farm near Geraldine, farmer Jimmy Pope commented, "The cow's udder had been cut off cleaner than you could cut it with a razor. I've been ranching most of my life and I've seen animals that predators got a hold of. I'd be willing to bet my life it was no predator."

The cow was found in a pasture about 500 feet from his house. An oval-shaped cut was found on the shoulder and mouth area and teeth appeared to be surgically removed.

Pope said he was awakened by a barking dog but did not notice anything unusual. A neighbor three miles away reported seeing a low-flying helicopter late that night.

Dr. Jim Armstrong, Auburn University professor of zoology and wildlife science is quoted as saying, "It would be obvious if a coyote had been through. The wounds would not be similar to a smooth cut. Coyotes bite through and pull to tear away the flesh. It would have a 'chewed on' look. There are other scavenger animals such as vultures that will eat at the softer regions of a cow, but there's not going to be these clean, surgical-type cuts. There is no way a coyote or other predator inflicted those wounds."

Armstrong, a USDA representative and several wildlife biologists looked over pictures of the Marshall-DeKalb mutilations and "all agreed that many of the cases were not typical predatory damage," however, they had not viewed any real physical evidence—only the photos.

Former DeKalb County Auburn Extension Agent Curtis O'Daniel also concurred saying, "Predators are not bad about eating hide. They'll eat up the rest of it first. Along with the bones, hide will be one of the last things to go."

Geraldine area farmer James Pittman was the first to report a possible mutilation this year. His daughter Jaci found a 1,000 pound Holstein dead on the morn-

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Investigators asked that this cow be unearthed after burial, so that lab tests could be conducted. The cow was one of three possible mutilations this year. (Photo by Wayne Ruple)

ing of February 9.

The cow had a large 12-inch long, 6-inch wide oval shaped, 8-inch deep wound on the back of the neck. There was no sign of blood in or around the animal and though it lay on muddy ground near a small pond, there were no predator tracks around.

Jaci Pittman said the incident seemed strange because there were no tracks of any type in the mud or around the pond.

"The cow's eyes were not glazed over like most dead cows and there was no indication of blood anywhere. She looked like she was sleeping," said Jaci.

Pittman said neighbors heard some "hollering" about three nights prior, but he hadn't heard anything unusual except what he thought was the sound of a helicopter in the early morning hours when the cow was probably killed.

Pittman believes natural predators would have gone after six young calves in the same pasture, before they would have gone after a larger one.

He noted that he left the dead cow in the pasture several days before burial and no predator came around.

A few days later Milton Rains, just northeastward in the Asbury community, reported finding a dead calf in a wooded area on his farm.

The calf had an incision in the jaw and skin missing as well as in incision in the buttock area. Again, there were no tracks or blood on the ground. All of the intestines appeared to have been removed and the right ear cut off.

Blood found on and in the body was not clotted despite the fact the calf had been dead 12–48 hours.

Rains stressed how precise the cuts appeared to have been made—"perfectly round, about two feet." He also reported the appearance of several helicopters "flying very low" a couple of days after the incident.

Three other reports came in—two from the Union Grove community and one from Boaz. Marshall County Sheriff's investigators felt these were predator cases because tracks could be seen around the dead cattle and the cuts were not clean as in the Rains and Pittman cases.

Tissue samples were taken,by a MUFON representative from the Pittman and Rains cows and sent to a lab for analysis.

And while police departments continued to receive mutilation reports during the first months of 1993, strange lights were also seen over the area.

Among the first to be reported was an incident on Dec. 1, 1992 in Albertville when, around 9:15 PM, a huge blue flash was observed from the Rose Road toward the Hustleville Road area.

A brief power interruption was noted and utility workers seemed to have pinned down the area to between Webb Road and Alabama 75 but further investigation yielded no answers.

A reporter with a local newspaper wrote about a bright object hovering in the sky Feb. 2, 1993 and being seen around 7:30 PM from Crossville. This or a similar light was also seen in portions of Georgia, Tennessee and North Carolina.

The Crossville Police Department received numerous calls and in Albertville, a viewer traveling eastward on Alabama 168 saw what appeared to be a bright orange ball fall from the sky around 9 PM.

At about the same time Tony Simmons and his son Jason were traveling between Snead and Walnut Grove on U.S. 278 when they saw a bright white and red light apparently "falling."

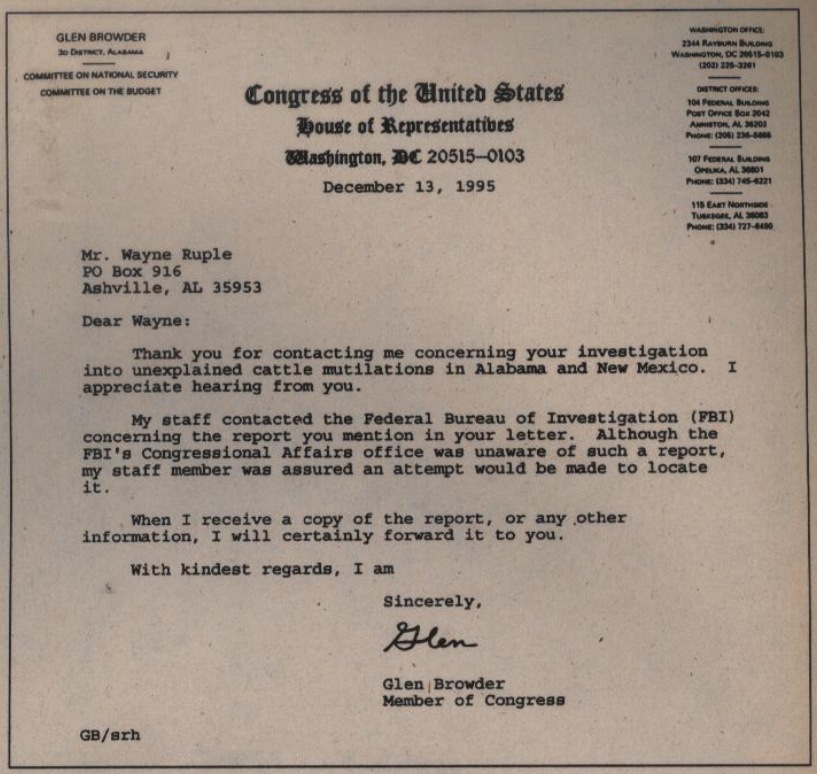
Some officials were quoted as saying that the lights were part of a meteorite shower and that a fragment was found in Smyrna, Georgia.

A few weeks later, Pat Beard and son James video taped some mystery lights in the Cedar Bluff area. The tape showed several lights hovering and moving.

In nearby Fort Payne, Sue Johnson observed unusual lights and Susan Eads also video taped lights which she saw. In Crossville, Rev. Roger Watkins reported seeing strange lights.

Alabama State Trooper Ron Ogletree also answered numerous calls regarding strange lights as well as people reporting seeing or hearing helicopters.

Geraldine Police Department Dispatcher Susanne Austin took two video tapes of some hovering lights seen from her residence in the Geraldine area.



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Dear Wayne:

Thank you for contacting me concerning your investigation into unexplained cattle mutilations in Alabama and New Mexico. I appreciate hearing from you.

My staff contacted the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) concerning the report you mention in your letter. Although the FBI's Congressional Affairs office was unaware of such a report, my staff member was assured an attempt would be made to locate it.

When I receive a copy of the report, or any other information, I will certainly forward it to you.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely,

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Geraldine Police Department Dispatcher Susanne Austin took two video tapes of some hovering lights seen from her residence in the Geraldine area. The tapes, shot in late February, 1993, showed a bright hovering object while the second shows a triangle-shaped object with three bright lights and two small flashing lights.

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Some former military personnel speculated the triangle-shaped object could have been a stealth bomber.

On Feb. 22, 1993 a farmer in the New Union community off AL 179 south in Etowah County, near Boaz, reported two helicopters flying low over his pasture.

Patrolman Walter Colbert arrived on the scene and saw the two helicopters high in the sky. The farmer stated that the choppers gained altitude shortly before officer Colbert's arrival.

Police Sgt. David Millwood also arrived on the scene, following patrolman Colbert, and he stated that he saw two low flying helicopters about 200–300 feet off the ground.

Millwood said they faded their lights before flying away.

Terry Arnold, a spokesperson with Bell Helicopters in Texas, told an Albertville reporter that a big chopper would be needed to lift a cow.

An FAA area supervisor also commented that helicopters are the least unrestricted flight vehicles in the air. Pilots, according to the supervisor, are not required to file a flight plan and about the only requirement is that the helicopter have call numbers printed on it and an operating rotating red beacon.

The latest mutilation report this year came from the farm of an Albertville resident who asked that his name not be used.

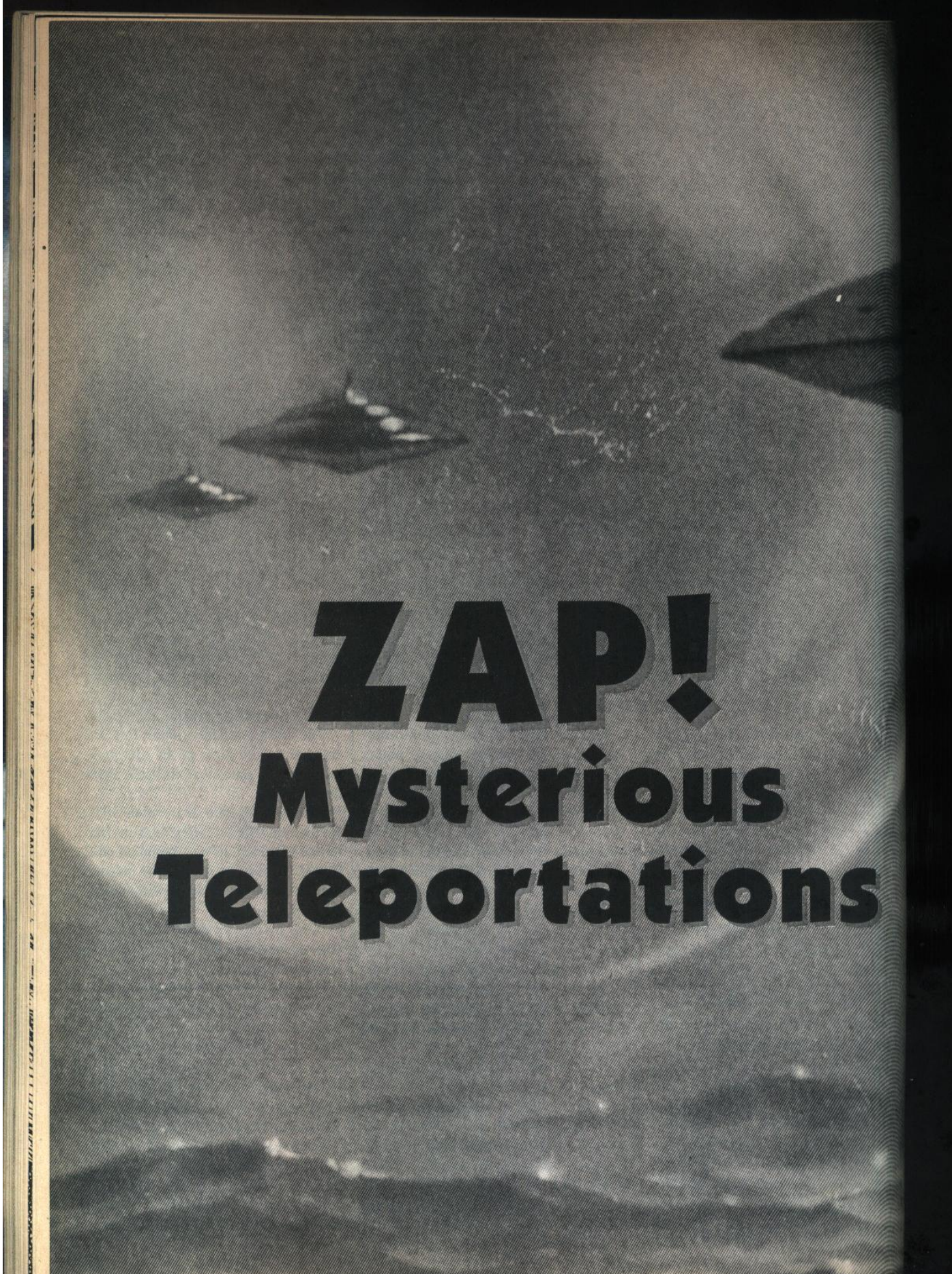
His farm, located in the area of the Pittman and Rains farms, was the site, in late February, of the possible mutilation of a cow on which two six-inch long incisions had been made behind the milk bag.

"I've seen cows die. I never seen a cow die the way this cow was," commented the farmer.

The Marshall-DeKalb counties have had numerous mysterious happenings since the 1960s when a type of "bigfoot" was spotted in the Grant and Arab areas. There were additional reports in the Arab area in the late 1980s.

Strange humming noises have been reported over the years in the Grant area.

Fyffe has been the center of many UFO reports in the last seven years and the Boaz-Albertville areas have been the sites of cattle mutilations and the sighting of strange, unmarked helicopters.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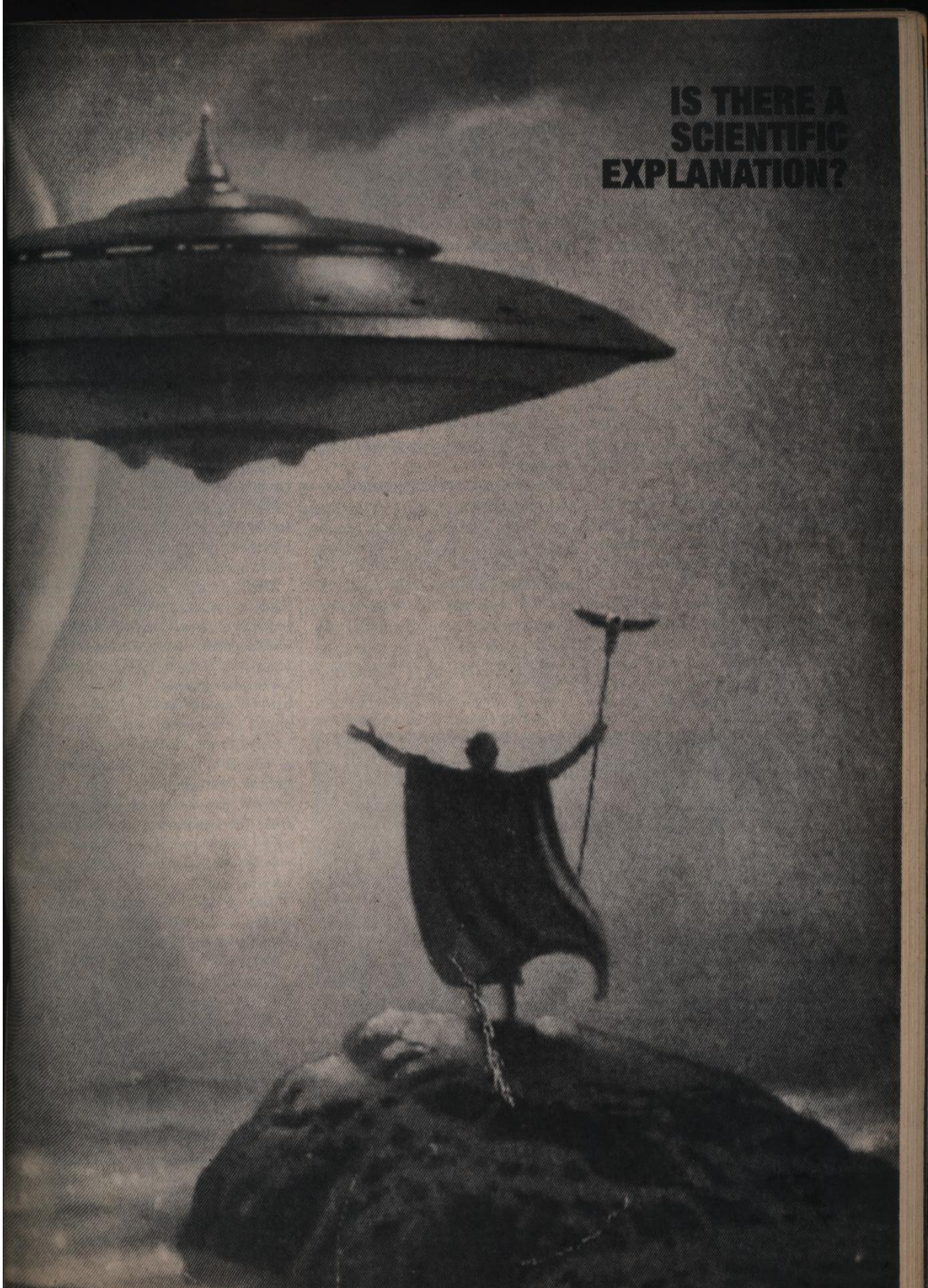
IS THERE A
SCIENTIFIC
EXPLANATION?

by Ron Edwards

On the popular television show *Star Trek,* crew members cruising through interstellar space have a unique method for transporting themselves to other starships or to a planet below their orbit. They beam themselves to a specific location via teleportation.

Although earthlings in the twentieth century have not yet discovered this marvelous means of travel, some have been able to experience the phenomenon accidentally—with a little help from unidentified flying objects. All unsuspecting voyagers who have traveled by teleportation have been intrigued, and some have found the eerie experience frightening.

When Sidney Walker left his house on the evening of June 14, 1976, he could not know he would not see his family again until a month later. The 33-year-old man, who lived in a city near Rio de Janeiro, was on his way to a local cafe for cigarettes and arrived shortly after seven o'clock. Upon leaving the cafe, the owner realized he had given Walker the wrong change and hurried outside, just in time to see an unidentified flying object hovering above Walker. The horrified proprietor stood paralyzed as he watched a beam of light engulf Walker, who then vanished.

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One month to the day of Walker's disappearance, his distraught family received a letter from the missing man who said he was in the Bairro do Dix-Sept Rosado, Natal—more than 1,200 miles away. He explained that he needed money to get back home.

Sidney Walker was soon returned to Rio de Janeiro and placed in a hospital for observation. His confused behavior worried his family as doctors performed various tests.

Finally, Walker's bewildered condition returned to normal and he explained the reason for his long absence. Upon leaving the cafe on the night he vanished, an unknown force began lifting him. He struggled to free himself but soon became unconscious. He awoke under a grove of coconut palm trees in Natal. Walker was found by an elderly couple who invited him to rest in their house. Three weeks later he recovered his memory and sent a letter to his family.

Six years earlier, a farmer in Brazil experienced a bizarre event that rivals Icabod Crane's frightening escape from the headless horseman. On July 16, 1970 Joao Marcelino stepped from a bus in Papagaios, Catarina, removed his bicycle from a parking rack and began the long ride home, five miles away.

While pedaling along the bumpy back roads he saw a bright light in the sky, followed by a narrow beam that surrounded him. Suddenly he was lifted into the air, along with his bike, and hung suspended for several minutes. Marcelino vainly tried to jump off the bicycle, but was paralyzed by an unseen force. Then he was lowered to the road and began pedaling as fast as he could. Moments later the beam of light again raised him into the air and held him motionless. When released from the shimmering ray, Marcelino again began pedaling frantically and managed to escape the mysterious object hovering above.

One of the most fascinating cases involving teleportation occurred in South America on the night of June 3, 1968.

Dr. Gerardo Vidal and his wife, Raffo de Vidal, had driven to a family reunion in Chascomus, a town along National Route 2, seventy-five miles south of Buenos Aires. After a sumptuous dinner at the home of Martin Rapallini, they left around midnight to begin the journey home. They were followed by another couple who were relatives, as well as neighbors of the Vidals, in Maipu.

The first couple arrived safely and became worried when the Vidals did not return. After waiting for several anxious minutes, they decided that something unexpected had happened. A call to lo-

cal hospitals revealed that no accident victims had been admitted that night.

Although it was very late, a decision was made to search for their missing relatives. They carefully retraced the entire route to Rapallini's home in Chascomus without finding a trace of Gerardo and Raffo.

One fact had been learned after the long, tiring drive back to Maipu early that morning: the Vidals had vanished without a trace.

Two days later Martin Rapallini received a phone call from Gerardo Vidal. He was calling from the Argentine consulate in Mexico City, Mexico! Gerardo assured his friend that he and his wife were safe and were flying back to Buenos Aires.

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Gerardo explained that when he and his wife had driven away from the suburbs of Chascomus on their way back to Maipu, they were listening to soft music on the radio and maintaining a safe distance from the tail lights of their relative's car.

Suddenly the Vidals' car drove into a thick fog. Gerardo was confused by the appearance of the swirling mist and quickly slowed down. That's the last thing he and his wife remembered until regaining consciousness the following morning.

Upon waking, they were still inside the car on an unfamiliar road. Gerardo opened the door and was astonished to find that all the paint had been scorched from his vehicle.

He stopped several passing motorists to ask for directions to Buenos Aires. All the drivers stared as though he were demented, and Gerardo stared as though they were joking about his location. They must be wrong. He could not believe he was in Mexico.

During the flight to Buenos Aires, Gerardo vainly sought to discover how he and his wife had traveled nearly four thousand miles to another continent—in their car!

The Rio de Janeiro newspaper *Diario de Noticias,* for January 15, 1969, reported additional teleportations. A Brazilian couple, driving along the President Outra Motorway, suddenly found themselves in the southwestern United States, somewhere near the Mexican border.

In another case, Marcilo Ferraz and his wife drove into a white mist as they approached the border of Brazil and Uruguay. They became drowsy and fell asleep. Upon awakening they suffered severe traumatic shock when told they were in Mexico. After returning home, Marcilo was later diagnosed with a brain tumor and took his own life.

Mysterious teleportations have been recorded throughout history.

One remarkable event occurred four hundred years ago in the Philippines. On the morning of October 24, 1593, a soldier assigned to guard duty in Manila, arrived at the palace and was arrested when his strange uniform instantly caught the attention of a suspicious officer. The perplexed sentry was interrogated relentlessly and could not understand what was happening. He was baffled at finding himself in Mexico City. He told his captors that the governor of the Philippines had been assassinated the previous evening, and he had been ordered to report for guard duty at the palace. He was unable to explain how he had traveled 9,000 miles overnight from Manila to the Plaza Mayor in Mexico City.

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News traveled considerably slower than teleportation in the sixteenth century, and two months passed before authorities in Mexico City learned the fate of His Excellency Don Gomez Perez Dasmarinas, Governor of the Philippines. The eminent statesman had been killed by mutinous sailors during a military expedition against the Moluccas. The official documents also confirmed that the governor had died the night before the confused sentry in a foreign uniform arrived. When Mexican authorities realized an innocent man was being detained, the hapless prisoner was released from jail and returned to Manila on the next ship.

Four years before Dr. Gerardo Vidal and his wife took their fateful drive on National Route 2, an Argentine businessman was traveling along the same road enroute to Comodario Rivadavia, Patagonia.

After spending the night in a hotel, he ate breakfast then resumed his journey. He started the engine and was astonished to see the car being engulfed in a cloudy mist. His next conscious memory found him sitting alongside a road in unfamiliar country.

A puzzled expression came over the businessman's face when he looked at his watch and realized that only a few minutes had passed since leaving the hotel. He hailed a passing truck and asked for a ride.

"Where are you going?" said the driver.

"Back to my hotel in Bahia Blanca."

The truck driver thought the confused-looking man was crazy. "Sorry, senor, but that's more than six hundred miles away. The nearest town is Salta." Actually, Salta was 716 miles northwest of Bahia Blanca.

The businessman climbed into the truck and later told his strange story to the police in Salta. They called the hotel and were told that the man's car was still there—with the engine idling!

Dr. Oscar Galindez, a fervent investigator of strange phenomena for years, was unable to solve a case involving two Argentinians who made an interesting discovery after their encounter with an unknown object on July 16, 1972.

Senor A. Brunelli, a professor of music, and Senor S. Porchietto, a retired industrialist, had attended a reunion dinner in Bainearia, where they were the guests of honor. At 2:30 AM, they de-

parted for Cordoba in Porchietta's car—a journey that normally took two hours.

Forty minutes later they had just passed the town of Arroyito, and were surprised by a bright flash of light from above. Then a row of orange rectangular lights lined one side of the road. The two men were perplexed but not frightened as they continued driving about 40 miles per hour.

Upon arriving in Cordoba, Brunelli was taken home. He knew that something was wrong when he looked at his watch; it was only 3:30 a.m. The distance from Bainearia to Cordoba was 115 miles and their travel time had been one hour!

When Porchietto was informed about the time, he remembered that no other vehicles were seen during the entire trip to Cordoba. Porchietto got another shock after checking the fuel gauge in his car. They had used only half the amount required to drive home from Bainearia. Both men said they had the eerie impression that their car seemed to be cruising a few feet above the road after the glowing light appeared in the night sky.

The experience of Brunelli and Porchietto was unique because their car was not enveloped by a misty cloud, and they remained conscious during the entire journey. Yet neither could find an answer for the mysterious incident.

The Japanese newspaper *Mainichi* reported what may have been a teleportation that was witnessed by the acting manager of the Kashika branch of the Fuji Bank, during an early morning drive on November 19, 1963. His passengers were a vice director of the bank and a client. The three businessmen eagerly anticipated a round of golf in Ryugazaki, a few miles north of Tokyo.

As the trio cruised along the Fujishiro bypass, they noticed a chauffeur-driven limousine directly ahead. The sole passenger appeared to be an elderly man who was absorbed in a newspaper.

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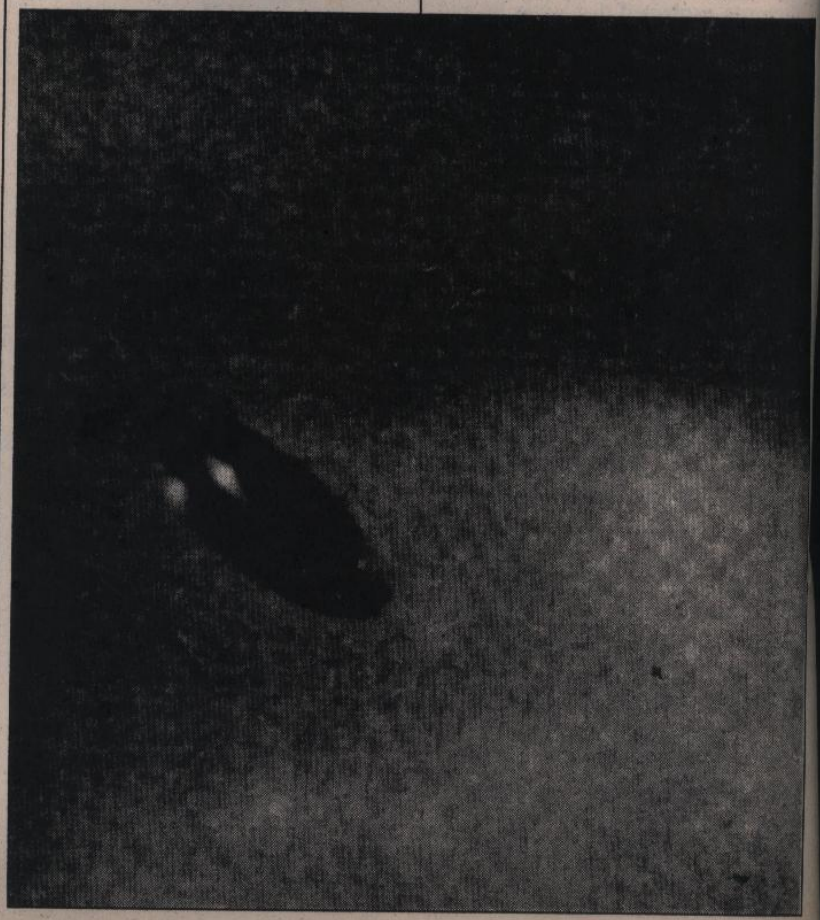
Some teleportations do not involve people in cars. There are numerous cases of unsuspecting individuals, including children, who simply walked into a white cloud and emerged in an unfamiliar area miles away.

The *Folha de Goias* published an account of an incident in the State of Goias, Brazil. During the evening of April 20, 1969, Dolor Roque was riding his horse to pick up medicine at a drugstore in Itacu. He noticed some bright lights which caused him to close his eyes. When he opened them he became confused and terrified at finding himself on the shore of the Paranaiba River, more than 200 miles from Itacu!

Are unidentified flying objects responsible for the white, misty clouds that swallow automobiles and people? Or do the victims enter a secret doorway to another dimension that allows instantaneous travel to destinations thousands of miles away in the blink of an eye? There seem to be no reported cases of sailors or airmen experiencing this phenomenon, although there is documented evidence of ships and aircraft slipping momentarily through curtains of time. No adverse affects have been revealed by travelers who inadvertently found themselves in another time period.

Harold T. Wilkins, a writer who had diligently researched strange anomalies, once commented that "the physical universe holds surprises for those who rashly predetermine that all natural phenomena may be summed up in mathematical equations and neatly listed in a textbook. To scientists willing to consider the as yet unknown, teleportations stand as a challenge to research in a field no less real and potentially fruitful than atomic energy."

Skeptics who feel inclined to dismiss teleportations and other mysterious phenomena should consider the advice of Johann Pestalozzi, an 18th-century Swiss educator, who noted that "the most momentous events in history are always things accomplished that had been held to be impossible."



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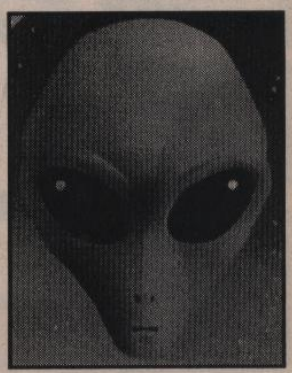

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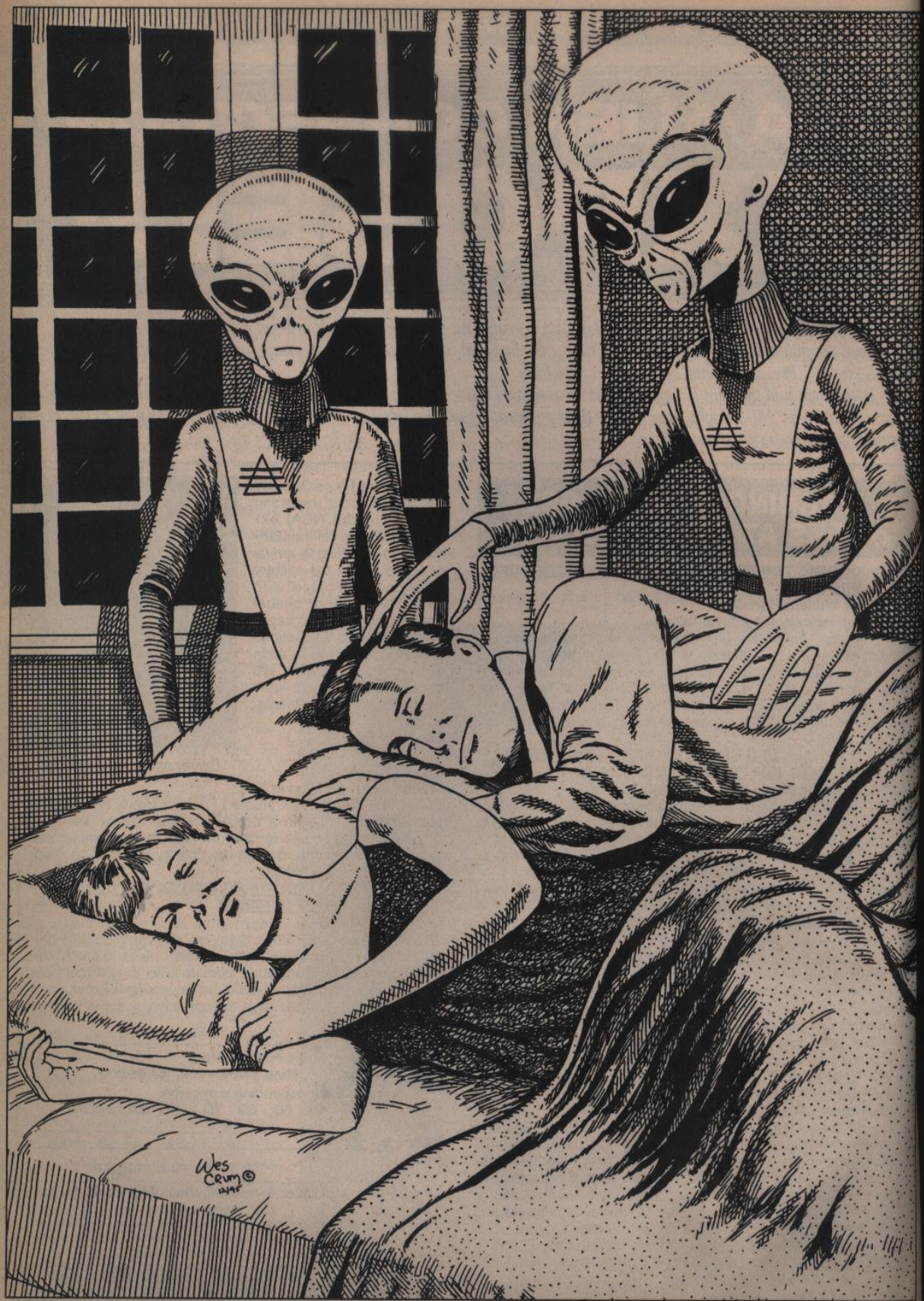
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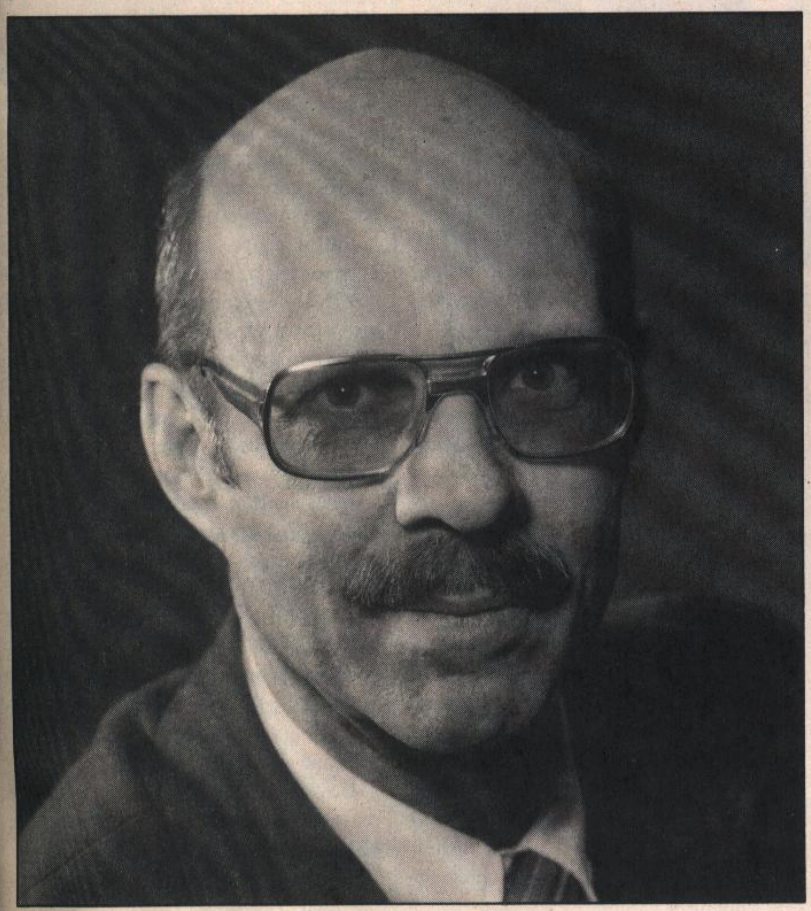

Dr. R. Leo Sprinkle, Ph.D.

by Sean Casteel

To the current mainstream way of thinking in our society, abduction by aliens is still a subject taken seriously only by a lunatic fringe element. But there has been a slow and gradual shift toward acceptance of the possible reality of the subject, and that shift has been at least partially achieved by the willingness of some mental health professionals to study claims by UFO and abduction witnesses without immediately jumping to the conclusion that those people are crazy.

In an attempt to get some answers from professionals working in the mental health field, we undertook a kind of survey of psychologists, psychiatrists, and social workers who study the subject of alien abduction from a standpoint of cautious belief rather than total dismissal.

We spoke to R. Leo Sprinkle, Ph.D., a counseling psychologist from Laramie, Wyoming, who has investigated UFO-related phenomena for over 30 years, Richard J. Boylan, Ph.D., a psychologist from Sacramento, California, and author of the book *Close Extraterrestrial Encounters* (1994, Wild Flower Press), and John Carpenter, MSW, a psychiatric social worker from Springfield, Mis-

souri, and a regular columnist for *The Mufon UFO Journal.* Psychiatrist Dr. John Mack of Harvard University and psychologist Dr. Kenneth Ring of the University of Connecticut were also asked to participate but both gentlemen declined due to scheduling problems and other personal reasons.

But the answers we *did* get from Sprinkle, Boylan and Carpenter were surprising, to say the least.

One thing we were very curious about is why these solidly credentialed mental health professionals had chosen to take the subject of alien abduction seriously when most of their peers had not. We found out that the subject *is* taken more seriously by the professional mainstream than we had realized.

"While mental health professionals," Boylan said, "along with the bulk of the general population, may have considered ET encounter reports as 'nuts' as recently as 1992, the situation has radically changed in 1996, what with the proliferation of UFO and ET documentaries and investigative reports and feature stories on television and print media. Furthermore the growth of at least two clinical organizations devoted to mental health professionals who specialize in working with experiencers, Dr. John Mack's Program for Extraordinary Experience Research (PEER), and the Academy of Clinical Close Encounter Therapists, Inc. (ACCET), indicates that hundreds of professionals not only take these reports seriously, but openly affiliate with other ET therapists and seek further training in this specialized area."

Social worker John Carpenter responded along similar lines.

"The statement that *most* of my peers," Carpenter said, "do not take this phenomenon seriously is an assumption that has never been proven either way. In my contacts and travels across this country and in other countries, I have found mental health professionals to be seriously interested and quite curious. They have been much more open-minded than I ever expected or imagined. Publicly, they are shy to admit their interest or belief, but privately they ask countless questions. Any of these professional people, who have dared to get involved, to learn or experience more, almost always is astounded by the sanity of the witnesses and the sincerity of the reports. The psychological reactions and behaviors also make sense to these professionals as they understand the shock and confusion these experiencers encounter."

Sprinkle also told us the field was less lonely than we had imagined, and that the unwillingness to discuss the phenomenon publicly did not mean his peers were necessarily "unbelievers."

"I am not certain that my position," Dr. Sprinkle said, "is different from my peers. Most psychologists recognize the scientific view that one does not take a position unless there is evidence to support that position. However, it is true that—for some reasons—the leadership of the scientific community do not talk openly about UFO research. That position would change, of course, if governmental officials provided information and financial funds for UFO research."

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We next wanted to move on to ask our mental health professionals what had made believers out of *them*?

"When I watch sane people," Carpenter said, "tremble at recalling details of an extraordinary encounter—that match the intimate details of the accounts of hundreds of others they have never even met—and find their emotions and psychological responses understandable and sensible given their circumstances, I have to wonder what is going on for all of these people to be experiencing and sharing something so common. Because I have chosen to remain open-minded' I have unlocked the door for an endless flow of bewildered people searching for truth and relief from their suppressed experiences. I hold to my chosen path because I see nearly everyone of these people learn, grow and improve their lives through the relief and understanding they have gained.

"If this were delusion or fantasy," Carpenter continued, "positive attention would only encourage more of the same, and the person's condition would hardly be seen as improved! If it were fantasy, then there would be a multitude of diverse variations and non-matching aspects among cases—related more to each individual's psychological dynamics, background, and personality. The creative possibilities would be endless and never likely to ever constitute a central core scenario with the kind of intricate matching detail as we have seen with these cases."

When others are still not convinced, according to Carpenter, it is because they are ignorant of the available data.

"Those professionals who speak out and denounce this mystery," Carpenter said, "are those who rarely have looked into the piles of research that have been collected from quality mental health professionals around the world. Their first question would be, 'How did widely-scattered professionals accumulate the same kinds of data without conversing with each other?' And why do psychological tests administered around the country continue to fail in depicting any pattern of psychopathology or similarity among diverse people of all races, socio-economic status, intelligence background and personality types?"

Sprinkle also shared what had made a believer out of him.

"The most compelling evidence of ET encounters," Sprinkle said, "is the change in the lives of UFO experiencers. For some UFO experiencers the initial effects of UFO/ET encounters can be emotionally bothersome as well as intellectually puzzling. Some persons react with awe and gratitude; some with anger and terror. After several years, most UFO experiencers describe their encounters as 'transformative,' including personal changes from a mechanistic model of science to an experiential model of science; from dogmatic religion to altruistic spirituality; from selfish concerns to concerns about the planet and all consciousness and creation."

Boylan offered the following as his reasons for taking the alien abduction phenomenon seriously.

"Because over 90 percent of the people I have professionally interviewed." Boylan said, "are mentally sound, do not

have a character disorder which would distort accurate reporting, lack a motive to make up an ET encounter, have significant *dis*incentives to reporting such encounters, are clinically judged to be truthful and congruent with their reported experiences, and are emotionally congruent with the extraordinary experiences they are relating.

"Because the client accounts," he went on, "contain corroborative elements imbedded in them, some of which the reporting client is unaware of, such as consistent detailed reports of ET uniform insignia, writings, technology, UFO cabin interior details, etc., which the clients, naive to UFOlogy in many cases, did not obtain from other persons or media sources. And there are often external and physical corroborating evidence, such as the sudden appearance of laser body scars, neighbors spotting a UFO in the neighborhood the same night as an encounter, military/intelligence harassment of adult experiencers after an ET contact, etc. Also, both child and adult experiencers' descriptions and drawings of the extraterrestrials' appearances, consciousness, behavioral sets, messages, apparent agenda and interpersonal emotional exchanges are both too exotic and too consistent to be made up by often unimaginative and earthy people. And finally, the sudden and dramatic shift in the perspective, emotions, behavior, consciousness, interests and psychic abilities of experiencers after an ET encounter point to a recent profound experience that is consistent with their ET report."

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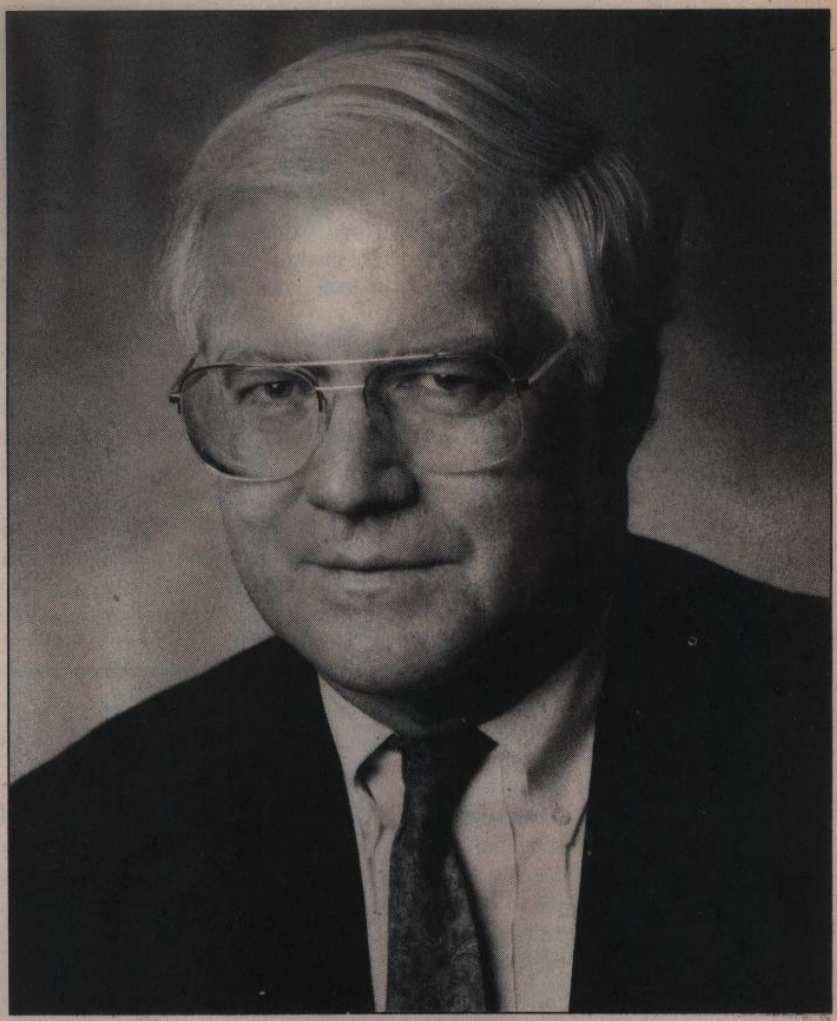

Dr. Richard J. Boylan

claimed encounters, there is also the "transformational" aspect of the abduction experience that Dr. Sprinkle touched on earlier.

"The abduction phenomenon is indeed transformative" Carpenter said, "in varying degrees for individuals and their families. The degree of transformation seems most related to the dynamics, strengths, personality, and stability of the individual. Reactions to these experiences have ranged from the extreme of sliding into alcoholism to hide from such disturbing feelings to the other extreme of feeling spiritually uplifted and enlightened by the chance to experience something so extraordinary. This wide range of emotional reactions is not unexpected. Human beings are known for their diverse responses to the same stimulus. Consider sending 50 randomly-selected people to see a new movie at a theater. All receive the same input—the film—but when they leave the theater, are they all going to share the same impressions, reactions, and memories of the movie? Of course not. Human nature is such that a wide variety of responses will occur to the same event because of the diverse backgrounds and experiences of all participants. Therefore, if all abduction participants also share the same exact scenario aboard an alien craft, we shall likewise find a wide range of impressions and emotional reactions along with a fairly similar memory of the same events.

"Overall in the 150 cases of alleged abduction that I have explored," Carpenter continued, "the general feeling from the subjects is one, an amazement at what they have experienced, two, a forced reconsideration of their entire concept of the universe and the nature of reality,

three, a relief at finally understanding certain events and behaviors in their lives, four, an emotional release and calming effect, and five, an open door for new growth, new learning, and positive changes in their lives—if they so choose. I have rarely watched people 'get worse.' It is more like the unclogging of a sewer which has become backed up and stagnant—unable to move forward until these blocks are removed."

Boylan replied to our question on the transformative aspects of abduction by saying, "The ET encounter experience is indeed often transformative, but not necessarily so. Whether an encounter results in transformation depends on the human involved; and because humans have free will in this area, transformation in a minority of cases does not occur. Furthermore, such non-transformation puts the lie to the erroneous supposition by some that ETs take over the mind and will of experiencers.

"The changes I see happening in the experiencers I have worked with," Boylan went on, "are largely for the better.

"Generally, I have noted the vast majority of experiencers, after they get over a brief initial anxiousness, report feeling awe, feel privileged to be contacted, are intrigued by the extraterrestrials, are fascinated with their high-tech and metaphysical ways of showing up and transporting themselves and the experiencer, feel important at being shown warning scenes of current and future Earth problems and 'Earth Changes,' and are asked by the ETs, or are self-motivated, to spread this information to others and to work towards solutions."

Boylan also said that the ETs consistent deemphasis on technology and materialism, and emphasis on the primacy of spiritual, metaphysical, ecological and social justice values, very often affects the experiencer profoundly, and makes him or her take those areas much more seriously in their own life or work.

"The expansion of personal horizons to embrace the literal universe," Boylan said, "populated with newfound friends, is another common transformative result of extraterrestrial contact. The ongoing telepathic, psychic, and 'poltergeist' interactions between ETs and experiencers further transforms the definitional boundaries of the experiencer's ordinary world."

When things go wrong, however, it is often the fault of the experiencer himself.

"When an adverse outcome occurs," Boylan said, "it is due to the limitations the human being places on the experience. Such limitations include a generally anxious and phobic mindset, often created by earlier human trauma, which causes the experiencer to interpret ET interventions as attacks or hostile intrusions. Another involves bringing to the experience negative, socially conditioned prejudices about the extraterrestrials or having general racist, chauvinistic, militarist or xenophobic social attitudes which result in the experiencer stereotyping the ETs as inferior, 'inhuman' militarily threatening, uncomfortably familiar or fearsome strangers."

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And finally we asked our experts this question: Where do you see the whole thing leading to? What do you feel will be the ultimate purpose behind the aliens' abductions of so many people?

"In my opinion," Sprinkle said, "the UFO phenomenon is an individual initiation as well as a social stimulus; a huge educational program: Cosmic Consciousness Conditioning (CCC). The 'abduction,' or taking a person *away* from the earth, is also an 'adduction,' or taking a person *toward* the stars. Just as a 'flying saucer' is both 'physical' and 'psychical' and consists of both particle and wave. These experiential exercises may be explained only after formal contact with representatives of extraterrestrial and/or extradimensional civilizations; however, the purposes seem to be, first of all, to remind us that we are 'spirits' who are from other civilizations and who are on temporary duty as humans on Planet Earth. Secondly, we are receiving lessons for all (CCC) to awaken to the plight of the Planet. Mother Earth is hurting. And it involves the next stage of Human Evolution: to use our psychic as well as our physical potentials to prepare for Space/Time travel and for communication with many levels of consciousness and many civilizations. Now is a time of much change and challenge."

Boylan's answer was similar.

"The ETs numerous efforts with so many humans," Boylan said, "is part of a generalized effort to wake us up to their presence. 'Abduction' is not the agenda. Rather the agenda for us is contact, orientation, instruction and consciousness raising. The agenda for the ETs is apparently altruistic missionary concern for the survival and appropriate development of a planet and its people."

And where is the extraterrestrial contact phenomenon headed?

"Towards open official public contact?" Boylan said. "Probably in 1997. Followed by the opportunity, if we want it, for ongoing contacts by the ETs; educational, scientific and cultural exchanges; possible setting up of ET 'reservations' on Earth; ET assistance in solving Earth problems and mitigating the upcoming major cataclysm series, which elements of the intelligence community, as well as experiencers and psychics, believe will mushroom in 1998; and ultimately Earth's joining as a member of the interstellar community of intelligent civilizations."

Carpenter began his response with a note of caution.

"There is a rush to understanding in all of this," Carpenter said, "a phenomenon of awakening and growing in awareness. But the actions of the otherworldly entities seem to have changed very little over the years. The sense of urgency presently is human in origin—not alien. The increase in *reports* is exactly that—not necessarily representing an increase in UFO activity. Some of the busiest days in UFO reporting were actually back in the late 1940s and early 1950s. What is going on now is a sociological phenomenon—an in-

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crease in the comfort factor for filing such reports due to increased public awareness and acceptance. Many of the abduction cases I receive presently actually happened ten to twenty years ago. But the present flood of reports creates the impression that there is a surge of UFO activity, implying that *something big* is about to occur! But the facts actually suggest that 'something big' has been going on for a very long time."

But as to the ultimate purpose?

"Nobody knows," Carpenter said. "Everybody guesses. The actual case data suggests strongly that there is a genetic interest that follows family lines, often producing hybrid beings through reproductive intervention. There is an interest in our emotions and what we are doing with our planet. They may be monitoring pollution levels in humans and other animals. There may be direct but subtle suggestions given to gently influence how we live our lives. There is no evidence for hostility or evil. Those who claim these judgements are usually fearful and confused by the unexpected and unwanted intrusions. Any time we are not in control, not asked for our permission, and manipulated at their will, we could assume that they are 'evil.' However, in preserving our own wildlife by darting the animals and studying their habits or behavior repeatedly, we are doing the exact same things and could certainly be viewed as 'evil' by the wildlife. *There is no difference.* We are the ants in a long-standing ant farm that have finally looked up and realized that, 'my God, there are other beings out there!'"

Social Worker John Carpenter's "Evidence"

When we were doing the interviews for this article we asked all the mental health professionals the same questions. But John Carpenter gave us a little more than the others when he responded to our question on what he considered to be the most compelling evidence for the reality of the abduction phenomenon. We've decided to share Carpenter's answer with you here.

"The most compelling evidence for the reality of UFO abductions," Carpenter said, "comes from several areas: (1) multiple abduction cases, (2) correlating physical evidence, (3) correlating accounts and reactions from children, and (4) lack of any psychological or sociological explanation that can account for the intriguing correlations among such diverse people.

"Cases with multiple participants are special in that we can separate the witnesses and perform separate investigations and independent hypnosis sessions to look for corroboration, verification, and suggestibility. In one such case of mine, two mature women, ignorant of UFO data, but sharing two hours of 'missing time' after spotting a fascinating UFO in the sky, told remarkable and similar accounts only under hypnosis. This occurred despite efforts to trick them or lead them astray. There was also enough difference in their stories to support the expected variance naturally caused by perception, perspective, and selective attention. Not only did their accounts describe a similar scenario in which they saw each other and described so accurately, but the details matched much UFO research unknown to them or unpublished!

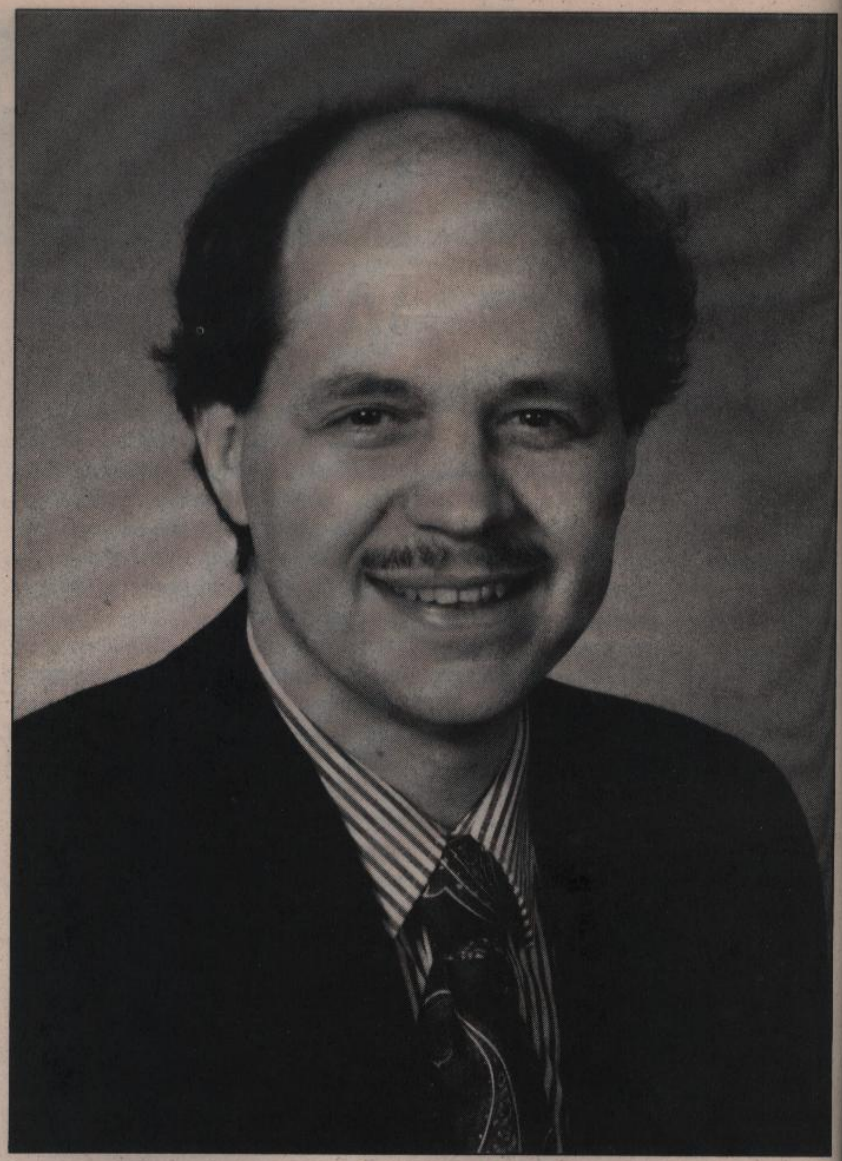
"It is this type of case—whether it be two women in a car, four men in a canoe, or a family of seven at home—that gives critics fits because they cannot even begin to explain how subjects could all develop amnesia simultaneously AND come out of a shared amnesia simultaneously without any injury or sane reason whatsoever. The claims of false memories, confabulation, fantasy, hallucination, and sexual abuse as sources for these stories all collapse under the credibility of these special multiple participant cases. Two or more people do not share the same creative fantasies nor the same psychological imagery related to private sexual traumas. And even if they had shared the same trauma, their emotional responses and behavior could all be quite different. Sleep paralysis does not explain three adults nearing panic as they see strange creatures approaching their car!

"The innocent stories of young children who describe little gray men with no hair and black eyes floating through their walls and taking them to see the 'space doctor' in a round room are chilling because of the obvious correlations to adult accounts that these children could not have heard or understood in order to describe similarly in such an experiential manner. One child became fascinated with trying to make his fingers like those of the aliens —Just four on a hand with no thumb. Another child became frustrated when he could not make his toy soldiers float in a beam of light like the alien had. And yet another child playing on the floor yelled to his mother that the 'space doctor' had just been on TV; he had caught a glimpse of the cover of *Communion* on a talk show. Another child brought back the rosary beads of a nun who had left them behind after

her examination aboard a craft where she and the boy—strangers to each other—had both been taken. In their own words these children tell the details that adults have—often with the same terror and confusion that adults have also.

"Correlating physical evidence is helpful in that it provides something tangible beyond the reports of witnesses. When an 'experiencer' awakens from a vivid dream, uncertain that they have had an experience, and then find mud, grass, or leaves under the bedcovers on and around their feet, this is certainly noteworthy—especially since it is not tracked through the house at all. They would have had to float into bed to do so! Often exam procedures are described under hypnosis and corresponding wound marks are found on the subject's body —often for the first time —which the subject had been ignoring or minimizing previously. Scorched earth and dehydrated soil in odd patterns nearby outside are suspicious and unexplained by any other means. This takes on even more meaning when neighbors report bright lights and dogs barking during that night. In a few cases, people have witnessed others known or unknown to them being taken by some strange force such as a beam of blue light coming from a glowing object in the sky.

"Although critics desire a full-size craft and bodies to be placed directly before them before they are likely to believe that these beings and crafts are real, we must realize that extensive human testimony *is evidence* of a kind that can judge a fellow man and sentence him to death in matters here on Earth. Why is it that the same, intelligent, psychologically-sound individual can sit on a jury or testify in a courtroom and be accepted as a credible person until the subject content becomes that of UFO visitations? How does one's credibility become conditional or temporary, depending upon what he/she discusses? This only reflects what society accepts—not what the credible person has experienced. We have thousands of credible humans testifying to the existence of something quite confusing and extraordinary. We have over 4,000 correlating physical traces of something unusual interacting with the ground, vegetation, animals, and people of this planet. We have unexplained photos and videotapes of unidentified objects demonstrating incredible filmed maneuvers not just by civilians but by military pilots, astronauts, commercial airline pilots, astronomers, and scientists. Radar has tracked these objects at speeds and maneuvers that would kill humans if they were the pilots. And the United States government has not only documented their own investigations but classified them at extremely high levels of secrecy. All of this does *not* sound like fantasy to me."



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From Elsewhere: An Interview with Scott Mandelker, Ph.D.

Author Introduction

Scott Mandelker, Ph.D. is the author of *From Elsewhere: Being ET in America* (Birch Lane Press, hardcover, 255 pg.), the first complete study of individuals who consciously claim to be extraterrestrial souls. He has lectured widely on spiritual growth, the global significance of UFO/ET contact, and cosmic evolution. Dr. Mandelker has a private counseling practice in San Francisco, and publishes the bi-monthly *ET Journal.* With a Ph.D. in East West Psychology, he also has over 15 years experience in Buddhist study and practice. Scott can be reached at 130 Fillmore Street, #201, San Francisco, CA 94115.

The Interview

Q: ***How did you first get interested in the subject of extraterrestrials and people who say they are from other planets and dimensions?***

A: Actually, it was not something I had always planned to get into, and events over the course of many years brought me closer and closer to this unusual topic. When I was young, and throughout my adolescence, I had a strong interest in science fiction, especially *Star Trek* and various futuristic novels, such as those of Ray Bradbury. It was a fascination, but I had no inkling that it had anything to do with UFO issues, ET contact, or the study of those who say they're from elsewhere. But these early interests definitely primed me for my later "far journeys," and this fascination opened me up to a greater vision of the universe and what is possible.

As I discuss in the second appendix to my book, *From Elsewhere: Being ET in America,* I got very heavily into Buddhist study, practice, and full-throttle monasticism while still in my early twenties. I left college after two years (at the ripe old age of 20) feeling intense alienation, disconnectedness, and the futility of the accepted mainstream paths offered by society. It seemed like the plan was to get a job, family and children, make some money, then die in ignorance.

Actually, these were the classic symptoms of "worldly revulsion," which is considered the starting point in all mystic traditions which teach the rigorous complete path of self-liberation, enlightenment through intensive meditation and higher consciousness. I fantasized being a forest monk wearing tree bark and burning up all delusions of self and suffering through meditation practice: not surprisingly, my family was horrified!

And so I spent several years on and off as a renunciate semi-monk (not taking monastic vows, but living close to the bone), and did a lot of meditation. Besides burning up a good bit of intrapsychic suffering and confusion, it also cleared my consciousness, and gave me a lot of insight on the nature of self, death and reality. I didn't emerge fully enlightened (I didn't go that far!), but I developed a peace, clarity, and centering that did the trick. So I felt complete enough to return to ordinary society, finish my B.A., and figure out my place in society. I was ready to make a meaningful role for myself in this Earth world, no matter how difficult.

My involvement with the whole extraterrestrial question came quite subjectively: through a series of clear out-of-body experiences, lucid dreams of contact and symbolic communication—plus meditation insights associated with reading, channeling and guidance. More than this, I also came to understand the process of inner reflection as an essential means of gaining clear information. I ended up reading a wide selection of ET-related texts, Eastern and Theosophical metaphysics, doing my own channeling (for a short time), and piecing together the many paranormal experiences and clues scattered throughout my life. From this it became abundantly clear that I am a

Wanderer, an ET soul, and that this issue would be a fine subject for my dissertation. I completed the Ph.D. in 1992), and knew this would make an fine book as well!

Q: ***Can you tell us what you hoped to achieve by writing the book, and how you decided to publish the dissertation?***

A: Before I wrote the Ph.D. dissertation in 1992 I already knew something about the subject, and I had already been lecturing on the west coast about metaphysics and the global meaning of ET contact. I already knew people who considered themselves Star People or Wanderers, and I already had that awareness for myself. So I was far from a neophyte, but I was, and still am, quite skeptical about many of the typical New Age groupies with stars in their hair, and the million-dollar channels who make everyone feel good while they peddle spirit dust. I was also quite aware that some people who might say they are ETs were in truth quite glamored and unreliable. Yet I was not out to prove anything, pro or con: I simply hoped to present this unusual group of people in a fair, mature, intelligent, and nonjudgmental way.

I really chose this topic—"the culture of those who claim to be of non-Earthly origins," which is the subtitle of the book—because I felt it to be the most relevant and personally significant topic available. Indeed, after years of monasticism and deep inner discovery, there were not a lot of worldly things that interested me, especially academic subjects to occupy a year of research. But I did want to explore and tell the stories of people like myself who came to realize *that their profound sense of differentness, their spiritual knowing and longing, their paranormal experiences really pointed to ET identity.* The topic was personal, collective, and quite fertile ground. I also knew that there was no complete study of this phenomenon in print.

In terms of what I hoped to achieve, I wanted first of all to tell the story of extraterrestrial origins without hype and glamour: to tell individual stories, show the path that began with confused alienation and ended in clear, inner knowing. I wanted to present this subject to a larger audience and catalyze greater public awareness of the work of benevolent visitors. There is so much negativity in the media presentation of UFO and ET contact that most people are either addicted to the illusive hope of high technology or scared that the "aliens" are coming to abduct them. In truth, there are far more positive or compassionate, wise and beneficent ETs than demonic Grays or Reptoids. I also wanted to help the millions of Wanderers, or Star People around the world wake more clearly to their own identity. For those truly from elsewhere, the process of coming to clear recognition of origins and purpose is quite important, and makes their stay on Earth far more pleasant and productive.

Q: ***What was the most surprising or interesting finding you made during your study?***

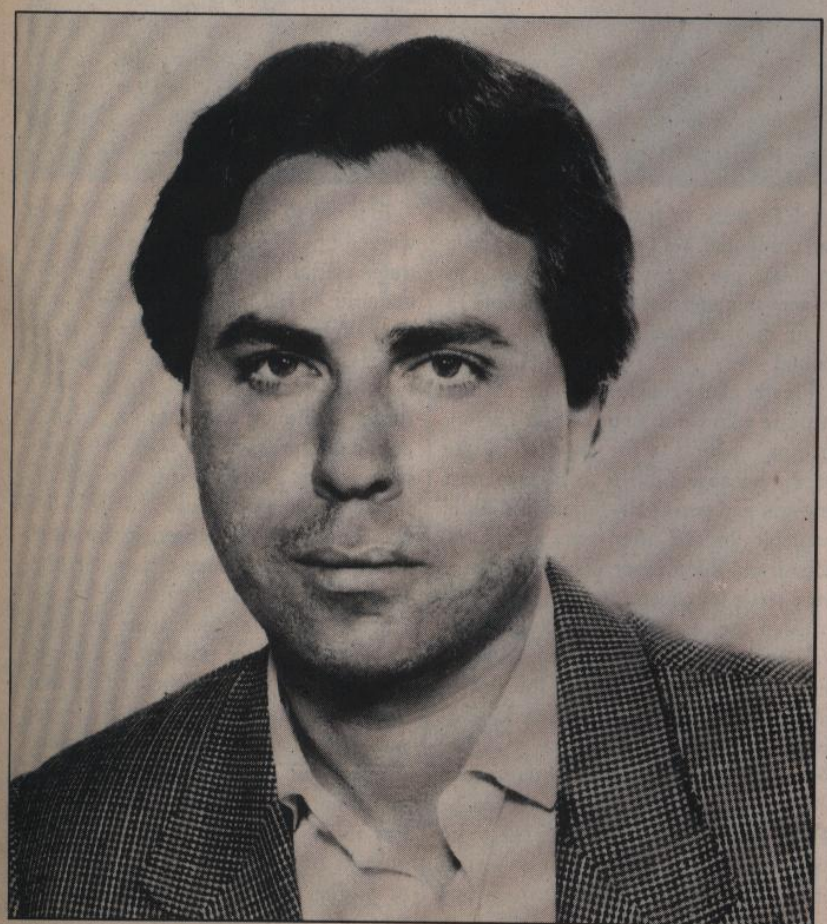
A: There was one particular finding which I found most interesting, and also most important from the standpoint of really understanding this group of people. This discovery was that *there is a spectrum of maturity and understanding within this group.* As expected, some of them were still confused, troubled, and uncertain about the meaning of their experiences. They were unsure about being extraterrestrial souls and thought perhaps they were fooling themselves, they were afraid of dealing with the implications of this idea. Many were in some way struggling against themselves in this process of self-discovery.

Then there were other people who were certain about being from such and such a planet, with a particular spacy-space name, or that they were the sole representative of their federation with a mission to save the world (a curiously common idea these days). Some felt themselves the twin or physical manifestation of some spaceship commander with a grand military-type title. Others claimed to be in direct contact with Jesus Sananda, Ashtar Himself, or some particular Intergalactic Master—a real galactic big-shot (who must have a lot of free time to spend with them). Regardless of the permutation of such moderate to highly-grandiose ideas, what was determining was that *they found all of this wow-great! stuff extremely important.*

Now, I will be the first to say that I believe there are extraterrestrial federations, ships and planets, that some of them do have unusual names, that humans can be in contact with such evolved beings and that individual Wanderers (ET souls) do have particular service work to do on Earth. However, it was the stress and emphasis that this second group of people placed on such externals—name, form, title, mission, rank, and so on -that left me questioning their intentions. Such preoccupation with these sensational details seemed like glamour, self-deception, and a dose of ego-inflation. Yet I can also imagine that *most of these people really are Wanderers or Star People*—it is just that they have become hung up on the details of such status. I do think Jesus is 'on the other side' and assisting humanity in his own way: I just don't think that making contact with some nice lady in New Mexico is a high-priority use of his considerable energies.

I *do know* there are different titles and levels of responsibility for those extraterrestrials who work together in particular projects: I just know that if those visitors themselves have any maturity at all, that they would not make a big deal of rank and position (in fact, they probably wouldn't even mention it at all—to what end?). And I also know without a shadow of a doubt that benevolent ET races who are here to share love and wisdom are not organized in any kind of quasi-military hierarchy. If you want to find a militaristic ET structure, the only place to locate it is with those extraterrestrials who are bent on power and conquest—in other words, those who seek to dominate and control. And one of their favorite targets are naive lightworkers...

So I did meet a lot of people who said they were ET souls, but about whom I certainly had reservations. Glamour and self-deception can happen to anyone, ET or otherwise. Yet at the far end of this spectrum of maturity and self-understanding (which is of course subjective according to my own values) were another group of people *who made no big deal at all about being from elsewhere.* These were men and women who never spoke about being from such and such a planet, unless somebody directly asked them. They had no need to impress anyone with rank or title. For all intents and purposes, they were quite ordinary, although most had impressive paranormal experiences, such as mystic, kundalini, near-death, ET-contact, and so on. They were extremely humble, mild-mannered, and open to all points of view. They had no ax to grind, no agenda to push, no religion or pet leader to glorify, and were quite easy and



Scott Mandelker, Ph.D.

pleasant to be around. They were simply good, kind, balanced people. Yet they also knew themselves to be extraterrestrial souls on short loan to planet Earth.

What really marked these people as 'special' or, in my eyes, quite remarkable and admirable, was the degree of devotion they put into serving the people around them. They made no big deal about being different: they were too busy teaching, writing, healing, counseling, creating, planning, and organizing activities that might be of benefit to their community. Even those who were more hermetic were truly humble, gentle, and poised. Not surprisingly, some of the extraterrestrial souls on Earth felt so disconnected that they chose a life of more or less solitude—but since they radiated such kindness and harmlessness, I'm sure they had a positive effect on the plants and animals whose company they preferred.

So I found that within the group of people who recognized themselves as cosmic visitors were individuals both clear and confused, humble and grandiose, active in service or passive in self-absorbtion. Like any other group of people, *I found all types*—yet those who I considered a bit off-balance did not detract from the genuine reality of extraterrestrial incarnation. Even ET souls are not perfectly enlightened—and even less so when they take human form!

Q: ***So why are these extraterrestrial souls incarnating on Earth, and what does this have to do with UFO phenomena? I mean, these ideas are pretty far from documented reports of sightings with hard evidence that we have about alien contact.***

A: Although there are different ET races from all points of the infinite universe, their intentions boil down to a distinct polarity: love and kindness, or separation and control. Whether the ET looks like a reptile, a Nordic, a ball of light, or Yodo the swamp guru, *their motives and goals can be described as either benevolence or domination.* I don't agree with the current ideas of abduction specialists who say we can have no idea of the intentions of these visitors, or that cosmic morality is not black and white since they "are so different from us." Actually, I don't really think the extraterrestrial races are so different—they are far older, and like anyone who is older, they know themselves better. The good ones are really good, and the bad ones are really bad. I feel pretty confident this is not a simplification at all, but really is the way things are...

So regarding abduction-type, *if there was terror and panic, then those ETs are 'negative,' and care not one whit for your feelings and your personal development.* Let us not fool ourselves: friends, elders, and teachers who want to help us and seek our spiritual growth do not traumatize us. This is not the way people are helped to grow. Such a statement seems the most elementary ethical self-reflection, but many abduction experts seem to support people who gloss over the pain, helplessness and suffering by vague rationalizations. Simply put, *those who love us do no harm.* I think we can expect the same from our galactic neighbors.

So—almost all of the Wanderers come from those benevolent races who do indeed love, cherish, and deeply care for humanity. Such marked tenderness is all but forgotten in the public feeding frenzy around supposed alien abductions, government cover-ups, and skeptic debates. I and many others who have had "positive ET contact" know first-hand this genuine tenderness; it is not fantasy, wishful-thinking in the least. Likewise, the people I interviewed all came to the conclusion that they too are here to help, to lend a hand, to offer kindness, warmth and support to those around them. In this way, they actually felt that they were serving the transformation of Earth itself, which in an esoteric way, *had directly called forth to the universe for this special boost of love and light, provided by ET souls in the flesh.*

All the Wanderers and Star People understand that they decided to be here, that they've been on this planet for one or many lifetimes, that after death they will probably return home to their root civilization or home planet, and that this is a special time in human history. They were all optimistic about the future of this planet, although many were keenly aware of human distortions, suffering, and the social structures of control and domination that make spiritual growth difficult.

Nevertheless, they are almost all actively engaged in some form of service.

Q: ***My final question: where is this all going? Most directly: is this whole issue of extraterrestrial souls in the flesh leading towards some great event?***

A: As many other UFO researchers believe, I think we are looking at an official government disclosure of genuine ET contact evidence in the next few years, or possibly sooner. Beyond that, I think there will be increasingly public and large- scale UFO sightings in the next decade, with greater influence by both negative and benevolent visitors from beyond. And as this happens, many more people will tune into the spiritual dimensions of what's happening to the planet, and will seek more information on the meaning, the significance, the purpose of the ET presence and what the personal relevance is.

I imagine more people will wake up to acknowledge and validate for themselves their own cosmic roots, and find that they are part of the celestial family which has had close relations with Earth for a long time. Eventually, I think ordinary citizens will realize we are not alone, we are spiritual beings (not only body and mind), and that help is available if we only ask for it with sincerity. At that point people will search for more insight on what this whole thing about Walk-ins, Wanderers, and Star People is all about—and more will be able to accept these ideas.

In the long-run, I am certain that ideas of soul transfer and interplanetary origins will become widely accepted. Earth humanity will ultimately take its place in the community of planets and galactic races. What began with a minority of people claiming to be from elsewhere will end, in my opinion, with wholesale public acceptance of the reality of our cosmic neighbors, and a focused collective desire to make contact for mutual uplift. Today's dream is often tomorrow's reality. I have no doubt we'll see a lot of these changes in our own lifetime

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EXTRATERRESTRIALS LIVING ON EARTH

According to some reports, there are up to 100 million people on Earth who are extraterrestrial souls from distant planets and dimensions, and what's more, the vast majority of them have no idea of their unusual identity! This conclusion is just one among many provocative ideas presented in Scott Mendelker's book, *From Elsewhere: Being ET in America,* released by Birch Lane Press in October, 1995 (hardcover, $18.95 in bookstores). Scott's book tells the story of 25 men and women of all ages whose unusual experiences led them to the conclusion that they are in fact extraterrestrial souls—called Walk-ins and Wanderers (or Star People)—incarnated on Earth for the purpose of helping society. "I found," says Scott, "almost all of them to be intelligent, reasonable, and quite willing to share their ideas about spiritual origin, purpose, and what the UFO/ET phenomenon is all about. A few of their stories are presented here.

Jody B.

As a child, Jody says "I often left my body at bedtime, to meet and travel other dimensions with friends", and was fully conscious during these experiences. He remembers looking down upon his body as he floated upwards—and while awake he couldn't understand why he "couldn't fly as easily"! He said he often communicated with ETs and wrote down what they told him. Naturally, his favorite TV program was *My Favorite Martian* and he found the special abilities of the main character entirely natural. He also drew spaceships in school art classes until a teacher forbid him to indulge his special interest. Actually, this kind of youthful fascination with space is quite common among those who later come to realize themselves as ET Wanderers.

At the age of 16, Jody had a near-drowning while surfing, in which he was trapped underwater until he began to lose consciousness. Interestingly, at a certain point he no longer felt the need to struggle toward the surface, *and was aware of himself as a golden ball of light, able to see in all directions.* After losing consciousness, he found himself on the surface—but this experience changed his thinking forever.

During later adolescence and into his twenties, he felt extreme anguish about the state of the world, with deep alienation and a longing for spiritual connection. In a moment of crisis, he asked with all the intensity he could, "How do I contact other life?"—and suddenly, like the center of his being had been struck like a bell, he heard, saw and knew the words "WE ARE GATHERING" as if all voices in creation were speaking as one. He saw the Earth as if from space, and around the globe with him were gathered a multitude of beings, both in ships and formless, all of whom he realized were his true spiritual family. From that point on, his awareness of being an ET soul has grown clearer and clearer, so that today Jody is an articulate teacher who has helped many people understand their own unusual experiences. He can be contacted by e-mail at: boyne@uhunix.uhcc.hawaii.edu —or at his Internet web site, "Jody's home page" (URL): http://nic2.hawaii.net/~boyne.

Zaradia (Denese T.)

Denyse today lives in Los Angeles and has been a spiritual teacher and organizer for many years. She told me that Zaradia is "an extraterrestrial and captain of a starship" *and is in fact one of her multi-dimensional selves with whom she has become a "soul braid,"* which means that their awareness is blended together. The story of how she came to this conclusion is quite interesting.

She first became aware of Zaradia in 1986, after an unusual contact experience. Having prepared herself through meditation with a close friend, Denyse lay upon the floor and became aware of a beam of light from a distant ship, shining on the middle of her chest. The next thing she knew, *she was in a different body on a starship, afoot taller and quite comfortable in her new body*—because she realized it was her own! Surrounded by friends and ET companions, she could see her connection to Arcturus and her purpose in living on Earth. She later began channeling Zaradia regularly.

One day in May of 1991, all of this became clearer. Feeling extreme alienation during the day, she went outside at night and looked up at the stars, *asking for help because she couldn't understand what was happening to her and why she felt so uncomfortable.* This kind of heart-felt longing towards the stars is also very common among ET Walk-ins and Wanderers. At night she dreamt of being in a strange town, in a different house, wearing clothes she had never seen before. She had no idea who she was.

Friends and family noticed she became more sensitive and emotional for days, and out of the blue, *a psychic said she actually had a telepathic mind-link with an ET-*

group. Soon after, a woman she had never met before told her she was the UFO captain that she had been with in a vivid out-of body experience! The connection between Denyse and Zaradia became stronger as the years passed, so that today she knows who she is at a core level. She told me that "by becoming a soul braid and acknowledging my higher self and becoming it, literally, I can help others do the same". Denyse continues to help many other "earthbound extraterrestrials" who are in the process of discovering who they really are.

Tim C.

Today in New Mexico, Tim is a counselor, network organizer, and educator deeply involved in the global peace movement. He has a background in hospital administration, corporate management, and has even coordinated a vice-presidential campaign. There is no doubt that this is a man who has been actively engaged in society for many years.

Yet behind the surface, Tim considers himself an ET Walk-in, and in 1985 had a miraculous transformation that changed his entire life. At a point in his life where he faced enormous physical, emotional, financial and interpersonal challenges, he felt like he was at the end of his rope. In many ways, he had lost all hope. But through a series of events, he felt a new soul enter (or "walk-in") to his body and replace the soul which he had been for 31 years. Unlike the stories of the ET Wanderers, Jody and Denyse, Tim had not requested any 'help from above'—it simply came to him like a blessing from heaven.

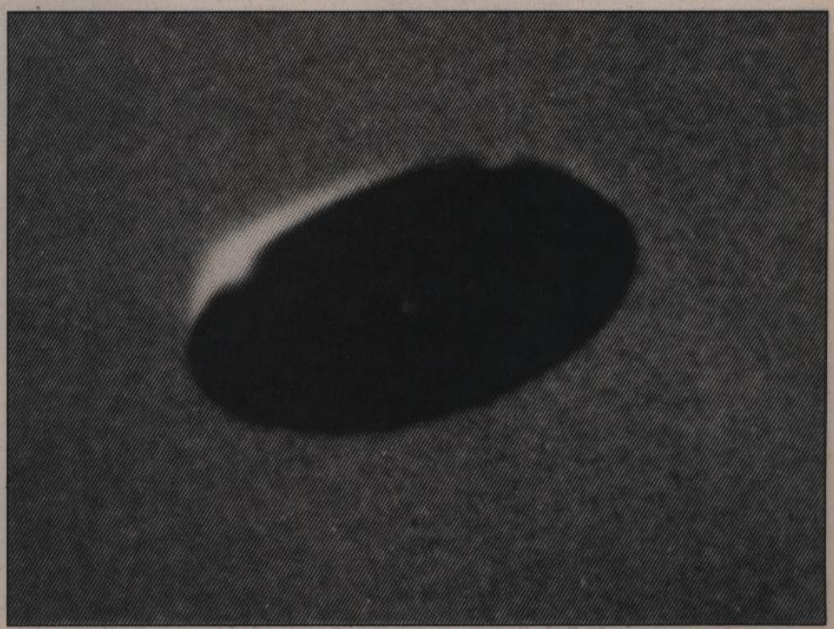
The experience that changed everything occurred during this period of intense personal crisis. At a restaurant with friends, feeling desperate and depressed, he had a strange sense of being aware of several different "streams of thought" coming to him at the same time, became dizzy, and then collapsed. Everyone with him thought this was his death-knell, but in the ambulance on the way to the hospital he heard a voice in his head telling him to go home. Without understanding, he followed the recommendation. At home, surrounded by terrified friends, he went into an out-of-body altered state of awareness, experiencing indescribable peace, joy and stillness. He was told: *"If you want to live, you have to breathe"—and feeling renewed vigor for life, he did!*

For several months afterward, he regularly heard in his mind: *I have given you a new spirit.* And from the way things turned out, Tim knows that this really did happen. After this experience, everything in his life improved—including all his personal relationships, his self-esteem, and his feeling of commitment to serving society. Today, Tim is as active, enthusiastic, and helpful as ever—although like most of the other ET souls I met, he rarely talks about his cosmic identity and his galactic roots. Indeed, most Walk-ins and Wanderers realize that being ET is important but that it's far more important to be a productive, loving member of society.

Some Conclusions

So what are we to make of all this? Well, wherever I go lecturing about the experience of being extraterrestrial, I find many people who say "this fits me exactly!" It seems there are far more Walk-ins and Wanderers among us than we know, although it's certainly not fashionable to say you come from another planet or dimension! Of course, many people greet these ideas with mockery or even scorn—so how could anyone be eager to share such strange ideas?

Of course, there are some people who will say they're ET to make themselves feel special, but can we really be sure we know everything about how the universe works, and that our greater cosmic family is not concerned with the fate of planet Earth? And what about the many paranormal experiences of being out-of-body or contacting non-human intelligence—can we really write all of these off as mere hallucinations? I don't think so. *I think the scoffers and UFO debunkers will find themselves among the minority in the very near future, struggling to play catch-up and figure out what will be at that time a very genuine, public ET presence!* I predict that before the year 2005, the reality of human-ET interaction will be widely accepted in society.



UFO at noon taken by police officer, Painted Lake, Wisconsin.

Seeing a UFO for the first time is a profound experience. It is at once humbling and awe-inspiring, frightening and exciting, mysterious and illuminating. It is an experience that can have a dramatic effect on a person's life.

Night of the UFOs

by Preston E. Dennett

Jay Broman (not his real name) grew up in his rural home outside of Ann Arbor, Michigan, had never seen any UFOs and had never really given them much thought. Then, one night in September, 1978, at the age of eighteen, he had a dramatic series of UFO encounters that began with a close-up sighting of dozens of UFOs (with hundreds of other witnesses) and ended with an event so mysterious, Jay is still trying to figure out exactly what happened.

It all began when a local farmer reported seeing UFOs regularly over his farm. At first, nobody believed him. But when some of the other people in town went over to check it out, they were surprised to see that the farmer was right. Word spread fast, and then one night, word came that the UFOs were back over the farm. Jay hopped into his brand new Ford pick-up with his friend and drove to the farm. He had no idea what to expect. It turned out to be an experience he would never forget.

As Jay says in his own words: "It started around 9:30 or so. There was this buzz about town that this farmer down the road was having regular visits over his field there. Several people had reported going out there and confirming this. So a fellow artist and I, we decided to drive to this farmhouse about a couple of miles down the road in rural Michigan, outside of Pinckney, Michigan. It's southwest of Ann Arbor about twenty miles. It's out in the middle of cow country there.

"So we drove up to this farmer's area, and all of a sudden, I noticed there were cars on both sides of the road. It was like people were going to see some kind of summer festival or something. There was no parking, so they parked on the road. And the parking was going back a

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quarter mile from this place! We got out of the car and we started walking up, and there was a whole bunch of people walking that way, but nobody was saying a word. Nobody was opping to why they were there, but we were all there for the same reason.

"So I walked up there, and when we finally got up to there, there was like three hundred people or something like that standing around. And they had a little remote camera and they had a newsstand there and they were doing an interview with the local news guy. 'We're here out at farmer Joe's farm... bla, bla, bla...' Channel seven of Detroit, I think, was doing it; ABC, their big network. And sure as hell, about fifteen minutes after we got up there, coming from the north and coming directly south in line with this guy's field was what appeared to be a grid, forty different vehicles. I guess I'd call them vehicles, and spinning in color. They kind of moved as one, in a matrix type of grid, filling out a square. And I remember them being red and yellow and kind of marbling their color. Their lights were bright, but they kind of marbled and changed. It was almost like a lava lamp."

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As the crowd of nearly three hundred people watched, something strange happened. Instead of getting excited about what they were seeing, everybody seemed to be in a strange state of denial or even casual acceptance, as if seeing what appeared to be alien spacecraft was a normal everyday occurrence. As Jay says, "Everybody looked up there, and it was kind of a strange scene. Nobody was freaking out and going ooh and ahh! Even myself, it was kind of like there was this weird psychology or hypnotic effect to it, like, 'Oh, yeah, that's nice.' Then people got in their cars and left, like it was no big deal. You would think they would have freaked out on this; it's one of the biggest things I've ever come in contact with. We got tired and we left. They were still there when we left. We didn't care anymore...Everybody saw it and they took pictures of it, and no big deal. We just left. I mean, that sounds pretty strange, doesn't it?"

Actually, this strange effect has been a factor in many other UFO sightings. UFO investigators are unsure whether it is a phenomenon imposed upon the witnesses by the UFO, or simply a psychological reaction to a very unusual event.

Jay and his friend drove away like all the others, not really even thinking about what they just saw. His friend lived off the M-36 freeway about a mile down a dirt road. The terrain was hilly and wooded and very remote. Jay dropped his friend off at his home, and headed back towards the main highway. He assumed that his experiences with UFOs were over for the night. Little did he know, they had hardly just begun. No sooner had he left his friend's house and started down the dirt road when he saw another UFO.

"It comes down to the denial. I still ask myself if the phenomenon is real. I say to myself, 'Boy, I'd like to see a UFO someday.'"

As Jay says, "Coming back there, I saw this—it looked like a helicopter or something, shining a light down into the trees. Now this was way out in the middle of nowhere. They don't just take helicopters out there, especially at night, and look around. It's just the woods. They're not going to find anything but a raccoon...I just saw like little landing lights, but the main beam was going into trees and it was moving around like it was looking for something or someone. And I'm thinking, 'Oh, cool!' It was a long shot, but we just saw these UFOs, and I'm thinking, 'Hey, I just got a feeling.' I was going over this field towards it. My truck is now heading with the headlights towards this thing over the trees. And I quickly flipped my high-beams on and off several times, like, 'I'll get it's attention!'

"So I got to the intersection where this dirt road hits the main road. It's like a two lane highway. You can go fifty-five [miles per hour], but it's only two lanes. It's out in the middle of nowhere. It's not developed. And the thing seemed to react to me. But it was moving very slowly. And I got out of the truck at that point and I heard what sounded like a hovercraft engine. It didn't sound like a helicopter. There was no chop-chop-chop sound. You know the noise of a helicopter, chk-chk-chk? That wasn't there. It was just like a brrrrr, a low vibration. And the vibration would raise in pitch a little bit and it would get higher, it would rise up in altitude, like a balloon almost. It was that graceful. But when it would get low again, it would drop down again. It kind of reacted to me, but then it just kept going out to, I believe it would have been the east. This main highway was going east and west, and I was headed east. It just took off and went back looking through the woods again."

Jay estimates that the object was about less than a mile away from him. He was sure it wasn't a helicopter, not only because a helicopter would never be out there in the wilderness, but because it moved strangely and sounded even stranger. He couldn't imagine what the object was doing out there. He was quite surprised when it reacted to his presence. As he says, "It seemed to come closer, but then it just turned around and kept looking for rabbits and the trees or whatever. I don't know what the heck it was looking for. There were no houses. It was just state land, wooded area. There were a lot of powerlines out there, that's about it. So I just kept going east, thinking, 'That was pretty weird.' And I kind of forgot about it."

By now it was just past eleven o'clock. Jay was surprised to have had two UFO experiences right after another. The chances seemed astronomical. But he had no doubt that what he saw was very strange. And not only that,

it had reacted to his presence. He never felt any fear, but then, the object never got very close. He was very excited but also felt strangely calm. Again he assumed that his experiences with UFOs were over. As he continued on his way down the lonely country road, he had no idea that he was about to have yet another dramatic sighting.

As Jay says, "I started driving east and about four or five miles down the road I came across where my high school was located, on the left side of the road. And I see this thing kind of over the football field. So I pulled off and I got out the truck again and looked, and this thing passed right over me. But it was way up there, like a mile or two up there. But it passed over me. It was really big, but it was so far up...it just looked like a big black rectangle, like a domino floating. I didn't know what it was. I knew we had military bases out there, still I didn't know; maybe it wasn't human, you know? And it passed off and went to the northeast or whatever, so I lost it again."

By now, Jay was amazed. What was going on? Why was he seeing so many UFOs? It seemed like an invasion from outer space. Three UFO encounters in one night. He could hardly believe it.

He got back in his car and continued driving. He couldn't wait to get home and tell his mother what he had seen. In his hurry to get home, he decided to take a short-cut home. The shortcut was way off the main road, but it shortened his trip considerably. It was a route he had traveled many times, only this time, something would happen that would make him think twice about traveling that route again. His night-long adventure with UFOs was about to take a dramatic and bizarre turn. Although he didn't know it, Jay was about to drive into the strangest ordeal of his entire life.

Says Jay, "I took off down the road, and about another eight miles down the road, I came to a diagonal intersection going across state land. It was a short cut to get where I lived. I could go way out a couple of more miles and make a right turn and come back, or I could take this diagonal road through a secluded country area. It was just a dirt road going back into the country, the farmland. So I decided to go down there. I loved going down this road. There are no cops, no houses, so I just went speeding on through there, throwing up the dust. It was a fun kid thing to do. So I made the right turn and cruised down into there and got in there two or three miles. And I looked into my rear view mirror as I'm driving in my truck, and I don't know how to really explain this kind of weird situation. I noticed the stars in the sky. It was a clear, cloudless night, a beautiful clear night. It was clear out there. And I noticed that the stars were kind of being blackened out by something. And the trees weren't that high.

"[It was] behind me. I'm driving fifty-five miles per hour down this unlit country road. The only thing I had on was my headlights. A dirt road covered with gravel way out in the woods. And I noticed that systematically the stars were disappearing. So I slowed down and noticed the stars completely disappeared. I thought that was kind of weird. I had just seen these UFOs. So I slowed down the truck. I looked in my rear view mirror and I thought I saw some kind of light or something on whatever it was behind me. I thought, 'Man, what the hell?!'

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"So I slowed the truck and stopped and all the dust kind of crawled up behind me. When I stopped, it all caught up to me. But I put it in park and I got out. And the same thing that I had seen over the high school was now descended down to about fifty yards above my head!

"It was behind me, but it was approaching me. My first reaction was, 'Wow, this is great! Come here! ' And then it got closer and I started to realize how darn big it was. I mean, this thing would have dwarfed our field. I think they could have put thirty or forty thousand human beings in this son of a gun. Just a big, domino, square thing. And lights would come on intermittently. Not high beam lights or anything like that. Just like back porch lights or something, but they had this powdery hue to them. The lighting had a powdery, fluorescent hue. It wasn't real clear lighting. There was red and orange and green and white and blue, whatever it wanted to be. And it changed all the time, almost like driven by an intelligence or a computer. The lights jumped around wherever they wanted to go. They didn't stay in one place. They either weren't fixed or there was a lot of them. Because they could turn the lights on however they wanted.

"And this thing dropped down on me and then it wasn't funny anymore. I started to really get a weird fear in me. And then I noticed as it was coming in, my hair started to kind of react, not majorly, but it started to stand up as if I had rubbed a balloon against a polyester shirt or something. I had this static electricity that was pulling my hair a little bit, and I felt like I had goosebumps on me. The hair on my arms stood up even. I think that's what that was. The headlights of the truck kind of browned; they dimmed. I was stopped and I walked around the front of the truck and was like in the headlight beams of the truck. I don't remember if the engine stopped or not. Maybe it did. I wasn't thinking about that at the time, if you know what I mean. It was like I had been shot up with some kind of pain-killer or something, like I had morphine coming in me. And I don't think it was the vehicle. I think it was my own fear blanking me out, going, 'Oh, my god!' Because this thing could have landed right on top of me. That's what it looked like it was going to do, just crush me.

"At its closest point, it stopped directly overhead of me, and I'd say it was about 50 yards up there. It just covered this whole parcel of land. It was like having some major building turned sideways and held over your head, ready to drop. If you had the UN building, it was about that size. And if you turned it on its side and floated it like a domino in the sky, it was about that kind of size.

"So I was out of my truck in front of it before this thing really came down

over me...but it was a very large ship. This thing was bigger than a battle ship. It weighed probably thousands of tons, and it was just hovering. And the lights [on the truck] kind of browned out.

"And then, right about in the center of it, like if you were going to make a holy cross, right where the center of the cross came together, a light came on. It was like a greenish, grayish hue, almost chalky, almost smoky. And it shined on me. And I felt almost like something went through me. I don't mean like an object; I mean more like I was scanned with some kind of heavy duty x-ray or something...it was a thin light. It was almost like somebody shining a policeman's flashlight at you. It looked like a gas light, you know those real bright lights that they make with some kind of gas mixture. I just felt like something literally went through me almost like a radar or sonar beam that went, hit the ground and bounced back up from me. You know what I mean? It went down, it came back up and returned to them. They read me somehow. They scanned me somehow is what it felt like...the beam didn't extend or retract. It was like our lights. You turn them on, they're instantaneously there. It was like some special gas light. It had a weird haze to it, almost like chalky but fluorescent. It seemed like there was a beam in the middle, but there was also this aurora coming out around it.

"Then I tasted almost like a weird metal was in my mouth. I don't know if you've ever drank certain vitamin drinks or something. Or if you've had an electrical charge. It tastes like copper in your mouth. It was that kind of thing. It tasted like copper in my mouth.

"But I was thinking ahead of time. I checked my watch and I didn't lose any time. And the thing just kind of sat there for a second and I heard the engines start to go up again, rrrrrrr. And it lifted up and slowly went off and went looking around in the trees again...I heard it increase in the pitch. It started to go rrrrrrr, and when it was doing that, it was raising up. It just slightly turned itself, almost like a balloon would, and floated off to the southwest. Then it started about its business again. It had a white light, like a spot-light, looking around in the trees, like it was trying to hunt for grubs or something. It was really weird. Then it moved so far out, you couldn't see it because of the trees."

Jay was absolutely stunned by what he saw. It was so big, and the lights were so beautiful. It was obvious that it was not from Earth. Even the metal of the craft seemed to be different than ours. As Jay says, "The thing was just pitch black. It was darker than black. It was this complete void. But you have to remember, there was no illumination in that area. All I know is, like I said, I didn't really get the outline or the depth of it as much as I did the fact that the stars were disappearing. That's how I noticed it in the first place. And it kind of like—I really believe it wanted me to get out of the truck so it could scan me. And then it let me go."

Afterwards, Jay raced home at top speed to share what had happened to him. As he says, "So I got in the truck after this thing went off into the sound, and I rushed home and I ran into the house. And I'm like, 'Mom! You're not going to believe what I saw!' She asked me if I'd been drinking or smoking LSD. She thought I was smoking some kind of weird drug. And I really got hurt and I got disappointed."

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Jay was shocked that even his own mother didn't believe him, but he couldn't really blame her; he could hardly believe it himself. He had seen four UFOs and one of them actually shined a beam of light down on him as if scanning him. He felt awed and amazed, but also confused and a little scared. And when his mother rejected his story outright, he realized just how profound this event really was.

He decided to go into the barn and play his guitar and think about what happened to him. Little did he know that his adventure wasn't quite over. He was about to have an experience that would baffle him beyond belief. To this day he is not entirely sure what happened.

As he says, "I grabbed my guitar and went out into the barn. We had a big metal barn. I got in there, closed the door behind me, and I climbed to the top of the hayloft and was sitting there playing the guitar. And a half hour later I hear the same darn sound right over this barn. I mean, I'm so high up in the hay that I'm in the rafters. I could put my hand on the roof. We're talking about a twenty, thirty foot barn. But it was all made out of aluminum siding—it was a big metal barn. So anyway, I thought, 'That's the same damn sound I just heard.'"

Jay sat there listening to the humming sound for about ten minutes. It seemed to change in pitch and move around the barn, as if it was looking for him or scouting the area. Jay wanted to get up and go look for it, but instead he found himself reacting in a very unusual way. Just like his first experience early in the evening at the farm, he felt a strange calmness descend upon him.

As he says, "There's some kind of weird hypnotic state along with all this. Because you're like slow and you're not snapping to what's going on. You can't seem to really put your finger on it. You're like, 'Oh, I don't want to think about this. I want to think about something else.' You know what I mean? It's like you're in denial or something because it's too much to really grasp at the moment."

At some point, Jay broke out of his trance and jumped down to look outside. That's when he got the shock of his life. That's when he experienced an event so unfathomable, he has yet to fully understand the consequences. As he says, "So I climbed down off the hay loft. I put my guitar down. I pulled open the barn door. And like I said, it was a perfectly clear starry night. And I opened the door, and I just get hit by this wall of fog. This incredible fog just covered the whole section of area that I lived.

"At this point, it gets a little fuzzy. I remember pulling the door open and

this incredible fog hitting me. The next thing I remember, I'm up in the hayloft playing my guitar, and I'm hearing the sound move away. And there's some gap. There's something wrong there. It seems to me that I would have continued to investigate this. But I don't remember climbing back up there. I don't remember climbing back up there. And I wouldn't have said, 'The hell with it.' I would have kept looking."

At the time, Jay didn't think much about it. It wasn't until years later that he realized how strange it really was. Was Jay abducted? He certainly shows many of the classic signs: a close-up UFO sighting, an interaction with the craft, and most importantly, a memory gap. Still, Jay has only recently faced the fact that he may have had an onboard UFO experience.

After telling me his experience, I gave him some UFO articles to look over. One of them contained a checklist to determine if you are a UFO abductee. Jay took the test and as he says, "I was about sixty percent in a yes answer. Kind of scary."

Only one month after his UFO experience, Jay made a major change in his life. He joined the Air Force and became trained as an aircraft mechanic. Coincidentally, he was first stationed down at Gulf Breeze, Florida, which would later become famous as a UFO hot-spot. His next assignment turned out to be none other than at Nellis Air Force Base in Nevada, now famous as Area 51/ Dreamland, where the United States government secretly tests and black-engineers UFOs attained from crash/retrieval operations. Jay reports that his work in the Air Force took him to other UFO hot spots across the United States. However, the whole time he was in the service, he never saw any UFOs.

Later, he moved out to southern California to pursue his career as a musician. It was then that he began seeing UFOs again. Since October 1994, he has been seeing UFOs regularly. He doesn't know what it means, and can't understand why he is seeing so many UFOs.

The answer may lie with his initial experience back in Michigan. It was as if that one night, a door was opened. UFOs became a factor in his life. Since

that day, he still has trouble accepting what happened, though he admits it wasn't a bad experience. As he says, "If it was unpleasant, it was because of what erupted within my own emotions. And I can tell you that I really doubted myself after that. I had problems that still continue to this day. It's internal stuff that I can hardly put into words, but things in your psyche.

"It comes down to the denial. I still ask myself if the phenomenon is real. I say to myself, 'Boy, I'd like to see a UFO someday.' "

Jay evidently got his wish. He has had dozens of encounters since then, and admits that he gets the same feeling of disbelief and awe each time. He is baffled that he is seeing so many UFOs, and is frustrated that many of his sightings are when he is alone. Still, he has had several witnesses to his sightings and therefore knows that he is not going crazy. He is really seeing these things. But what he has trouble believing is that the UFOs seem to know he is watching them. It is as if they put on little displays for him, just enough to acknowledge the fact that they know he sees them. Jay is reluctant to admit that his relationship with UFOs goes any further than that of a curious observer, but he is beginning to realize that it might lie much deeper than that.

As of yet, he has recalled no abductions, but he does admit that he feels a connection to the UFOs. He is eager to see more UFOs, and with a track record like his, it is very likely he will get his wish. And maybe even a little bit more!

Inside The Billy Meier Compound & The New Miami Contacts

An Interview with Randolph Winters

Randolph Winters has been a UFO researcher since 1978 when his curiosity was aroused by a series of UFO photos that he saw in a book called UFO Contact from the Pleiades. The book was the first publication of the Swiss photos of Eduard Billy Meier. Randolph became intrigued with wanting to know more and eventually went to

Switzerland where he became friends with Billy and spent months with him learning all about his contacts with human life from the Pleiades. In 1986 he produced a one hour video tape called the *Pleiadian Connection* to inform the world about the information that Billy had received from his off world visitors. The tape focused on the message from the Pleiades and provided a new awareness of who we are and why we are here. Not to mention the 120 clear beautiful daytime photos of the Pleiadian craft which are still the most talked about and controversial photos ever taken of UFO's.

It was this background with Billy Meier which lead Randolph to Miami, Florida where he met a man named Adrian who may be the next link in the ongoing Pleiadian connection with the people of Earth. Adrian claims to have also been able to take photos and travel with the Pleiadians in their craft to other worlds and benefit from their great wisdom. In order to bring this new information out in the open for scrutiny, Randolph has produced another video called *The Miami Contacts*. It features the new photos taken by Adrian as well as some intriguing video of the Pleiadian crafts in flight and tells the story of this new contactee. Since Adrian does not appear on the tape, and does not want to be interviewed yet, *UFO Universe* went to Randolph to get some questions answered.

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Question: Randolph, your new video, *The Miami Contacts,* is about a man you call Adrian. Why isn't he on the tape?

Winters: I met him on November 2nd, 1994 after a talk I was giving in Miami on the Meier case. He introduced himself to me by his real name, but said he wasn't ready to let the general public know his identity and asked that I refer to him as Adrian (Au-dre-aine), a sound that represented his spiritual growth. After observing how the family life of Meier had been destroyed by the curious, he opted for anonymity. He said he was also concerned about his private life, that he and his girlfriend live and work in Miami, and if their identities were known they might lose their jobs, or people would be invading their home. At the very least they would have no privacy.

Question: Well, what can you tell us about him?

Winters: He is of Cuban decent, in his late thirties. A soft spoken man, rather private I would say. He isn't outgoing. He's not the type to seek publicity or go on the speaking circuit. He has studied eastern philosophy, he's into health food and meditation and seems very sincere. He believes that he has a mission to perform and is taking it very seriously.

Question: And how about his girlfriend, on the tape you mentioned that she has taken some of the photos and has met these ET's also.

Winters: Yes, his girlfriend has taken some of the photos, which is very unusual in a contactee case. In the Meier situation he was never allowed to bring anyone else with him on the contacts, but in Adrians case he not only gets to bring her to the contacts, but she tells me that she has also been aboard the craft and met the Pleiadians. I don't know her age, I would guess in her early thirties, dark hair. She is a very happy

person with a big smile. Easy to get to know and very open about things. She seems to be taking all of this in stride, she's not overwhelmed with her experiences or has any plans to talk about them. Actually I had known them for a few months before she volunteered that she was even involved. And then I had to pull the story out of her. She is not anxious to talk about her involvement. I find her very credible and honest about what is going on. She is very supportive of Adrian. They seem to be very close. The kind of couple that is there for each other.

Question: If they're really having these contacts with Pleiadians, why do you think they were chosen?

Winters: Well, in Adrians case he claims that he is a walk-in. That he is a Pleiadian spirit that has taken over the body of an earthman. This was done through mutual consent before the birth of the earthman. He calls this a soul transfer. He says it happened when the earthboy was 10 years old. His Pleiadian spirit took over the body, the earthboys spirit left the body and returned to the other side, and his Pleiadian spirit, that he calls Adrian, has been controlling the body for 29 years now. So he really wasn't chosen.

By his explanation he is here on a mission to study mankind and work out some karma of his own. His girlfriend on the other hand, as far as I know, is not a walk-in or ET of any kind. She is a normal earthperson who has been pulled into this situation simply because she met Adrian and moved in with him. There may be a deeper meaning to their coming together because of some previous life situation, I'm not aware of it.

Question: And you Randolph, why did they contact you?

Winters: Well, this is were it gets even stranger. Adrian says he was directed to contact me because I'm somehow involved in the mission the Pleiadians have been working on for centuries to direct the course of humanity through certain individuals. Apparently they cause certain people to be born from time to time. And then they inspire them through dreams, or sometimes they make physical contact with them, or just connections on the astral plane. When he told me this I wasn't too surprised, since Billy Meier had told me pretty much the same thing when I was staying with him in Switzerland.

Question: If you were caused to be born by the Pleiadians in previous lives, are you aware of any of them?

Winters: No, I'm not. When I first heard about this possibility, well let me

back up a little here and explain a couple of things first. When I was over in Switzerland at Billy Meiers house I was visiting one night at the home of one of his group members. She was explaining to me that many of the 15 people living there at the farm had been caused to come there by the Pleiadians to help Billy out. It seems there is a handful of spirits that have been working with the Pleiadians for thousands of years. Billy is the main spirit they pull into life, and when they do, if any of the others they are working with are in material body at the time, they find them and bring them together so they can work as a group during that lifetime.

In Billy's situation the Pleiadians pulled quite a few together, and this is the foundation for his group, the FIGU, that helps him with his writings and books. They all live together at the farm they call The Semjase Silver Star Center in Schmidruti, Switzerland. It was explained to me that there were 12 key spirits having material lifetimes on Earth that would be mentally called to help Billy. The 12 were all over the planet in different countries. They would be inspired through dreams to come and help Billy. I was told that I was one of the 12 and that I was fed dreams when I was young to wake me up to my extraterrestrial heritage. Dreams that depicted violent wars on other worlds where I was involved as a soldier taking over civilizations for the great Lyrian Empire. My dreams lasted for years and always seemed very real to me. I also thought they were just dreams and never made any past life connection to them. At Billys house I was told they were transmissions from the Pleiadians about who I was and how I came to Earth. This was in the summer of 1987, and at that time I was the only one of the 12 who had come to Schmidruti. Adrian told me of the dreams also and said that he and I had fought side by side in previous lives. There had been many dreadful battles causing great destruction and that he would tell me more about them later. But for now I should know that I was inspired to go to Billys, and that in the late 1970's the Pleiadians had informed him of me and that when they

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would start a series of contacts in America they would bring us together again so I could help him out. So I seem to be a player in some sort of drama that is running through the ages. And now through Adrian, there may be a new chapter starting.

Question: Are you still involved with Billy and his group?

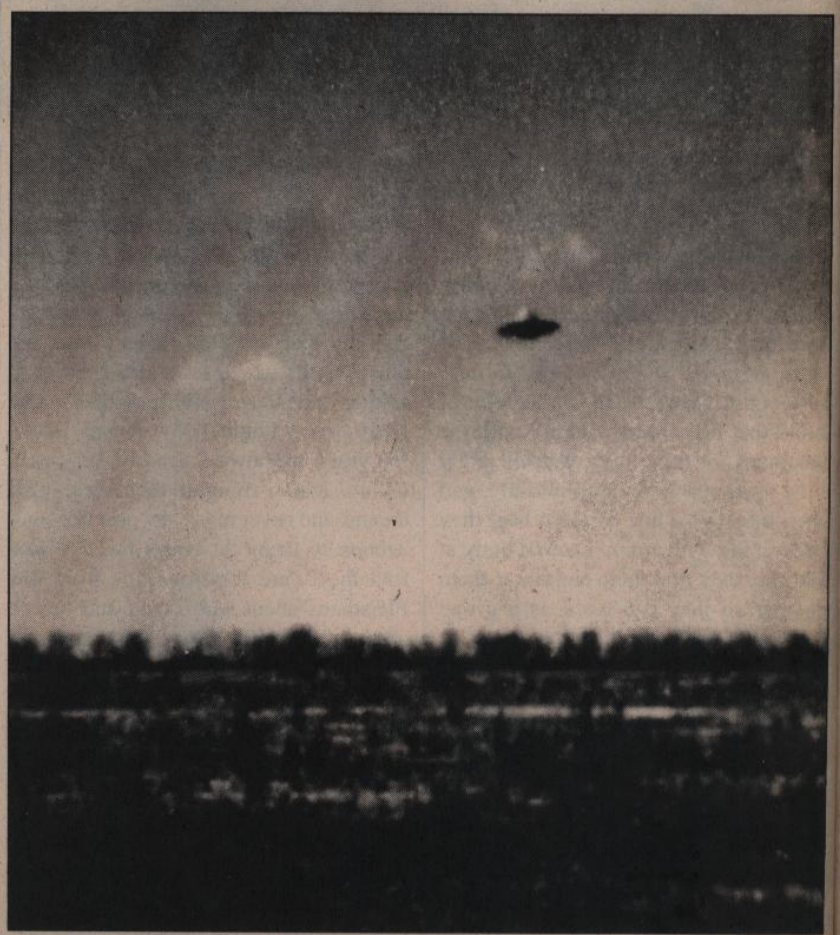
Winters: No, not at all. I was a special member of the FIGU for about 2 years. Billy called it "special" because I didn't live there at the center. It eventually led to me being pulled into the drama of being in a private secret organization where I was supposed to live my life by the rules of the FIGU. I could not look into other UFO cases or challenge the philosophy of Billy. In other words I was supposed to close my mind and be a good follower, which I'm not very good at, so I quit. Now the FIGU and Billy are upset like I'm some kind of fallen angel that didn't meet up with their standards. I just wanted to remain open minded and not be told how to live my life. I like Billy, he is a very kind man with a lot of great knowledge, but he is into controlling the people around him, and if your not a good follower then he doesn't want anything to do with you.

Question: Have you had any contacts with the Pleiadians yourself?

Winters: Not physical ones. When I was staying at Billys house I was practicing meditation and receiving some strange visions about the Pleiadians and their mission to Earth. It was common for me to find myself on board a Pleiadian craft while I was having a contact. In these dreams or visions the Pleiadians usually never acknowledged my presence. It was more like I was invited to just listen in like monitoring a class in college. The dreams always seemed very real. So real that on several occasions I would question myself as to whether or not they were real physical experiences or something that was happening on the astral level.

Billy did arrange for me to see a ship one night. It was about midnight. I had been at the Star Center for about six weeks and was walking up the road toward the house and noticed one of the FIGU. members standing out in front. He motioned to me to come over and watch the sky. It was a beautiful night high in the hills of Switzer-land, the sky was clear with a million stars painted against a black canvas. He didn't speak English very well, but he motioned for me to stand and watch the sky to the south. He pointed to his watch and asked that I wait just a few minutes, which I did. Soon he raised his hand and pointed toward the southern sky. I shifted my view to where he was pointing and there it was, rising up from the horizon, a streak of white light moving at a very fast rate. It climbed up steadily and then leveled off and began to race across the night sky in front of us. Appearing as a steady stream of white light, the object was moving considerably faster than anything else I had seen in the sky. It was similar to a shooting star, but rising up instead of falling. Then it took a slight turn and kind of bent right up into the sky and began to blend in with the stars. I was just standing there in amazement when my sky-watching partner turned to me and said, "Quetzal." That was the name of one of the Pleiadian pilots who frequently visited Billy. He was apparently leaving the underground base that the Pleiadians still have in Switzerland, and who knows where he was going. I had just seen my first Identifiable Flying Object. Now it was true for me, too.

If you would like to get more information about this new UFO case, you may contact Mr. Winters at (619) 770-9720 or write to P.O. Box 1270, Rancho Mirage, CA 92270 U.S. Copies of his book, The Pleiadian Mission are available at $24, and the new video tape, The Miami Contacts is $43.95. Prices include postage. You can send orders to the above address or use your VISA/MC and call or fax (619) 770-9720 at any time to order.



The Pleiadians maintain that they will hold even more "photo sessions"

Who says the same exact type of UFO incident can't take place many years apart?

A Case of Deja Vu

by Christopher O'Brien

What two—very strange—unexplained series of events happened 11 years apart and featured green fireballs, mysterious fire, unexplained explosions and unusual military activity?

- The Gallup, New Mexico incident that transpired on January 12 1983 and;
- The south-central Colorado/north-central New Mexico's San Luis Valley NORAD events that peaked exactly 11 years later. Obviously no two groups of UFO related events are ever exactly alike—but the parallels between these two cases certainly must border on the bizarre.

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For a comprehensive look at the Gallup incident we can be thankful to the Project Stigma publication, *Pardon the Intrusion; Or UFOs Over, On and Under (?) the State of New Mexico,* written and compiled by Paris, Texas, researcher Thomas R. Adams in 1992. It was Adams who first noticed the obvious synchronisity in these two cases. His excellent case history compilation of reported anomalous events in the state of New Mexico can be obtained by writing him directly at Box 1094, Paris,Texas 75461. The ongoing investigation of the NORAD event was initially covered by Mark Hunter, writing in the *Valley Courier.* Since this case is still ongoing, updates are anticipated as warranted.

The Gallup Incident

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The article in the Farmington, New Mexico *Daily Times* on Thursday, January 13, 1983 was headlined: "Goodness Gracious—Great Ball of Fire." Written by reporter Rex Graham it stated:

"What investigators believe was a meteor smashed into the side of a mountain about 15 miles east of Gallup Wednesday night about 5:50 PM, starting a fire and causing a deluge of calls to the McKinley County Sheriffs Office. The incident is believed to be part of a broad 'meteor shower' that caused sonic booms in Gallup, Farmington, Aztec, Bloomfield and north to at least Durango, Colorado. McKinley County Sheriff Benny Padilla said today that his office had received 126 calls after as many as seven 'booms' were heard by area residents beginning at 5:50 PM and continuing until about 8:00 PM. Undersheriff Jack Graham quickly drove east of Gallup to investigate a fire burning on a hillside in the Springstead area, thought to be connected with the 'explosion-like noises.' Padilla and Graham initially feared an airplane had crashed. Graham walked through an empty crater about 25 feet across and six inches deep. There was no sign of plane wreckage. Then, about 10:00 pm, Padilla and Gallup Police Chief Frank Gonzales

were driving in the area when they saw a 'green-object' travelling toward the ground. 'It looked like a fireball,' Padilla said today, 'and it disintegrated before it hit the ground; it was kinda scary."'

Reporter Chip Hinds wrote in an article for the Durango, Co., *Herald* on January 13,1983:

"...Durango police dispatcher Ruth Mastin reported that her office was told by Federal Aviation Agency officials in Grand Junction that the noise was created by classified military aircraft and that they had been instructed not to answer any further questions...McKinley County Sheriff Benny Padilla in Gallup said that a 'green object' which 'slowed, struck the ground and went out' was spotted near there....A Farmington man, Rick Wilkie, reported seeing hunks of a 'meteor falling off' as the meteor came in from the western sky as he was watching from a point about 25 miles from Farmington. Research associate Norman Thomas of the Lowell Observatory in Flagstaff, Arizona said authorities should be 'skeptical of any meteor theory unless a full investigation is made."

The United Press International release of January 13th reported, in part:

"(McKinley County Undersheriff Jack) Graham said he and other officers trying to get to the fire site Wednesday night 'saw a falling star or meteorite fall, and it burned longer than it should. I saw three or four falling stars, lasting longer than usual, about 15 or 20 seconds.' "

One other report written by Rex Graham on Sunday, January 16, 1983 in the Farmington Daily Times stated in part:

"...McKinley County Sheriff Benny Padilla said the noises around Gallup ceased about 8:00 PM. At about 10:00 PM, Graham, Padilla a,nd other law enforcement officials saw 'a green fireball' swing across the sky for about 15 seconds, then disappear. This time there was no sound as the meteor vanished. Residents in the Farmington area reported seeing a similar glowing object in the sky. *To many, the booms, meteor sighting and explosion and fire seemed part of the same phenomenon..."* (My italics)

Lynn Bartels wrote the front page story in the *Gallup* daily on Friday, January 14, 1983, which contained the following statements:

"...Continental Divide resident Cheryl Meyers said today there have been numerous military helicopters and vehicles in the area (just east of Gallup) since the investigation began Wednesday....And Chip Hines, a reporter with the Durango *Herald,* said today that the Federal Aviation Authority in Grand Junction, Colorado, still denies someone from its office commented on the booms Wednesday. Hinds said a spokesman on Wednesday (the 13th) said there was a classified military aircraft in the area, but not to ask any more questions as 'it was over.'. . .On Thursday morning (the 14th), FAA authorities said no one from their office issued any statements about the noises."

If those faint, blinking objects (to the unaided eye) captured unmistakably with night-vision on video were in fact, NOT helicopters milling around, or hovering motionless for hours, what were they? If government assertions that they were not aware of any military activity in the San Luis Valley during this six week time period are accurate, who are these guys doing the apparent monitoring with advanced aerial technology?!

When Tom Adams contacted Lynn Bartles he found out that Chip Hinds had unfortunately been killed in a "mountaineering accident" shortly after covering the Gallup/Farmington events for the *Herald.* Because of certain limitations, I cannot fully cover the many peripheral events and reports that accompanied the events in the Northern New Mexico/Four-Corners area on January 12, 1983. These include evidence of dynamite and blasting caps at the—possibly diversionary—burn-site crater; noxious gases 15 miles south of the burn-site; and rumors of some sort of crash-retrieval operation near Chaco Canyon.

Rumors

Were the rumors heard by Tom Adams during and after his immediate investigation an indication of what actually transpired that cold January evening and during the following several days?

"...Then we began to hear rumors, from sources previously reliable. Some of the bits and pieces were said to be 'the word making the rounds among the military-intelligence-scientific community in New Mexico:

- Some of the confusion resulted from the deliberate injection of mis-or-disinformation. This was necessary to obscure the highly sensitive 'truth' to what actually happened.
- A 'Top Secret' operation was in progress that night, and a classified aircraft crashed or exploded.
- The aircraft was indeed a highly sensitive experimental military device or... An extraterrestrial craft crashed or crash-landed. One account says that it sort of skip-crashed, bouncing into or along one site before finally coming to rest at another site.
- The primary crash site was somewhere near Chaco Canyon. A 'retrieval' operation ensued, while attention was diverted to Gallup and Farmington and Durango. 'Something' (be it terrestrial or otherwise) was removed from the side of the canyon or ravine into which it crashed. It was transported by air to Kirtland Air Force Base. It was set down and a protective structure was built around it.
- There were reports, unconfirmed, of 'silver spheres' descending and ascending somewhere in the Gallup area.
- There were also reports of independent investigators in the technical community in Albuquerque (civilian scientists and technicians working at Kirtland AFB or Sandia National Laboratory) who were threatened and/or harassed or otherwise warned to stay away from the Gallup area, after they had expressed interest in pursuing their own investigations of the event(s)."

Was this entire collection of reported unusual events more than a synchronis-

tic array of mundane coincidences? How about the following events?

The NORAD Event

"The NORAD Event" was actually a series of events over a six-week period (including reports of two green, two blue, one white and two orange fireballs, two orange orbs, two mystery fires, unexplained booms, a flurry of bigfoot reports, a documented unusual cattle death and many reports of accompanying military-related activity that began on the night of November 30, 1993, at 6:05 PM and continued until the early evening of January 17, 1994.

The height of these events occurred during the afternoon of January 12, 1994, when a NORAD official contacted the Rio Grande Sheriffs office at 3:40 PM and reported "a significant explosion" logged at 2:55 PM in the Greenie Mountain/Rock Creek Canyon area by a NORAD scope operator in Cheyenne Mountain. *Exactly two hours* later, at 4:55 PM, Florence, Colorado, resident Lt. Col. Jimmy Lloyd (ret.), a 30-year veteran fighter pilot and UFO skeptic reported seeing "a battleship-sized,"glowing green group of "six or seven objects in close formation" streak overhead just south of him that appeared to "go down into the San Luis Valley."

According to Lloyd, the object was not a mundane celestial object, i.e., a meteor, or any type of conventional craft or missile and was completely silent. This effect-first, fireball-later aspect appears to have had the same two-hour time-lag characteristic of the booms/fireballs heard/seen in the Gallup Incident.

A Different Approach

Going with the questionable assumption that all these objects were under intelligent control, (no aspect of the newspaper accounts or witness reports from either event suggests that they were) maybe this past January 12, for the sake of argument the "fireballs" decided to arrive together, more inconspicuously, instead of separately over several hours as in 1983. Could the "significant explosion" NORAD detected have been the heat signature of the tight formation of objects as they swept into the Mysterious Valley two hours later?

Boom-Boom, Here Come the Lights

The "fire-ball" jockeys must have figured out the "boom" part. The "NORAD Event" made no apparent noise. There were several curious reports of "booms," but they did not occur as the primary focus like in the Gallup case. At noon on December 9, 1993, five witnesses in two houses about a mile apart reported a localized boom that sounded like "something huge hitting the ground." Claims of booms were reported to the sheriff between January 13 and 15 in the Rock Creek Canyon area, on the northern side of the Greenie Ridge portion of Greenie Mountain. These booms did not appear to occur in conjunction with any of the other "fireballs" that were reported in the six-week time period, however, the booms on the 15th could have a relationship to the two orange orbs that were seen 20 miles south of Rock Creek Canyon and east towards San Luis, CO. Portions of north-central Texas heard several loud boom-like noises on the afternoon of January 20. Could these Texas booms be significant in some way, or were they just another bunch of noisy mundane "coinçidences?"

Where There's Smoke and Fire...

Our other mystery fire had no sound attached to it either. In fact they couldn't find any trace of it! December 2, at dusk, a group of Antonito, Colorado residents reported a large fire visible on the hillside several miles to the west. They could see "30 foot flames" through binoculars. Even with the aid of these witnesses and obvious landmarks, no trace of a fire was found even after several hours of looking by the sheriff and a half a dozen searchers. There were plenty of traces in the "mystery fire" in the Gallup Incident, including possible

Snippy the horse was the first casualty of the ongoing battle between ranchers who have found many of their prize animals mutilated and butchered—and a strange and sinister force from "up above."

dynamite and blasting cap pieces, a 25-inch crater and burning trees.

Where ARE These Guys?

Both cases had the almost predictable presence of "those who watch." Aerial craft/helicopters sightings and rumors about ground activity were present at both events combined with the added subtle twist of probable miss-direction by the government.

Maj. McCouch, the FEMA supervisor of the NORAD scope operator, gave Undersheriff Brian Norton, what may have been misdirections to search an extremely rugged area almost 25 miles away from where the event probably occurred. Why? So the military could search the area on Greenie with the low-flying B-52s and helicopters that were reported during the following four days?

Supposedly heavy equipment and snow-shoe tracks were found by two UFO Institute members, from Colorado Springs, CO who also claim to have stumbled on large "metal doors" in the ground while searching the area a week or so after the NORAD story broke.

Were "those who watch" actually searching or retrieving anything at all. To my knowledge, there is no verifiable evidence of a retrieval operation in either the Gallup Incident or the NORAD Event(s). Perhaps some other agenda was at work on those cold weeks in January, eleven years apart.

Smile, You're on Candid Camera!

There is, however, the matter of the video documentation of what appears to be as many as ten helicopters flying in the area where the first "fire-ball" was seen to go down on the night following the sighting (December 1, 1993).

The next three nights, there was—what appeared to be—a picket-line of as many as seven hovering choppers/craft, 8-10 miles apart, sitting in a straight line, up and down the western side of the San Luis Valley at around 5,000 feet over the unpopulated La Garita/Canero Pass area. "Those who watch" hung there motionless blinking all three evenings. Undeniably, somebody was evidently watching six weeks before the NORAD call to the Rio Grande County Sheriffs office, 3:40 PM, January 12, 1994.

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Sound Familiar?

Oftentimes descriptions and choices of words used to describe an unfamiliar circumstance can be illuminating. Sheriff Padilla's description of the "green object" breaking into pieces just before it appeared to hit the ground echoes Al Koon's description of the "green-fireball" breaking apart before appearing to strike the San Luis Valley floor after it had "slowed," made a 45 degree turn and then descended straight down towards the ground. He and many other witnesses observed the object at 6:05 pm, November 30, 1994. This slowing action was echoed in Padilla's description of the strange fireball he witnessed almost 11 years before which appeared to "slow, then stop" before making the 45 degree turn and then slowly descended toward the ground. Most witnesses of the NORAD fireballs mentioned the unusually long duration the objects lasted. This was echoed by Padilla and Undersheriff Jack Graham in their observation of the unexplained aerial objects near Gallup. Descriptions of the strange booms heard in both events mention that the noises did not sound like a sonic boom, but more like something huge "hitting the ground."

Mysterious Footprints

Our recent events surrounding the NORAD call did have elements not found in the Gallup Incident. The most striking are the seven bigfoot encounters reported in the northern New Mexico portion of the San Luis Valley. It would be easy to dismiss these encounters were it not for the eye-opening video footage taken by a local law enforcement officer which shows two unmistakable sets of large humanoid tracks descending side by side down a remote hillside for hundreds of yards. A set of huge 21-inch and 18-inch barefoot tracks during the coldest part of the year, on a variety of terrain, i.e., snow, mud, rock, dirt etc. (complete with pristine prints that even show toenail marks!) is very hard to argue with, let alone dismiss. Because of the local's reluctance to publicize these encounters and the physical evidence that has been obtained by law enforcement officials, this documented aspect of the NORAD event is very hard to ignore. I have seen this amazing footage—they are truly something!

As Usual, More Questions Than Answers

Tom Adams wrote in his 1992 introduction of the Gallup Incident section of *Pardon the Intrusion:* "...we feel that it remains not only an intriguing case but a potentially important one..." Adams may be right. The Gallup case had too many coincidences to begin with, and when overlayed onto the NORAD event there are way too many unusual parallels. Indeed, it would seem that many more questions are raised than answered. What are these "fireballs"? What agency, or group is conducting these mystery flights in and around the sites of these unexplained occurrences? How many other witnesses are there to the known events and do these known events represent the full scope of the localized phenomena? Were the booms and the fireballs related? Is there relevance to the time-lag/warp hypothesis explaining the two-hour time differential between the effects of the fireballs and their actual arrival? Were these just isolated events, or part of a more elaborate overall scenario? Are these the same type of fireballs that have been seen periodically in the southwest since the 40's? Why bigfoot encounters in conjunction with the other phenomena, or is this just another "coincidence?!"

The two cases we have just reported on provide us with some of the most intriguing elements we have had in a long time for scrutinizing UFO's and their attendant phenomena.

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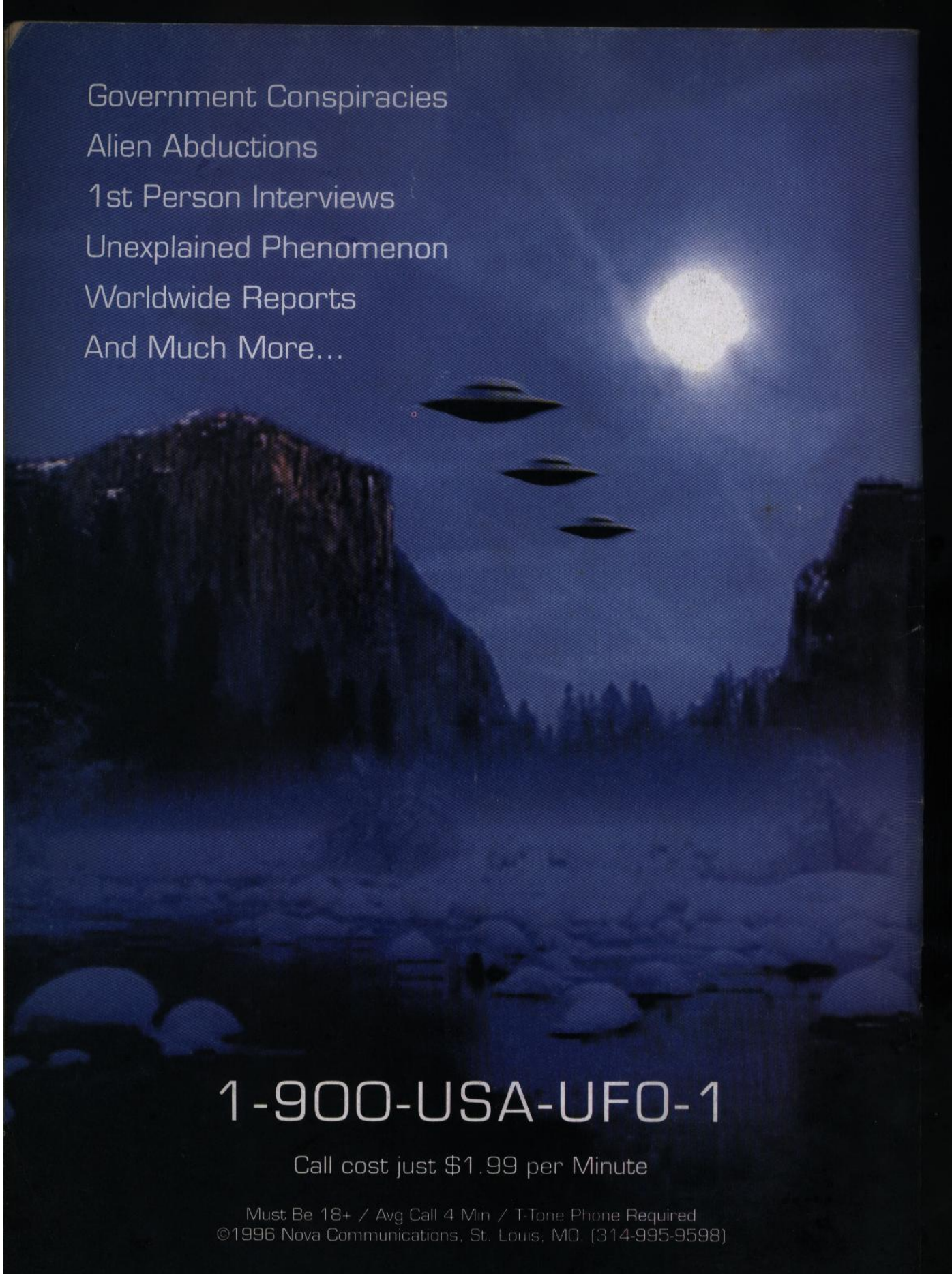
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